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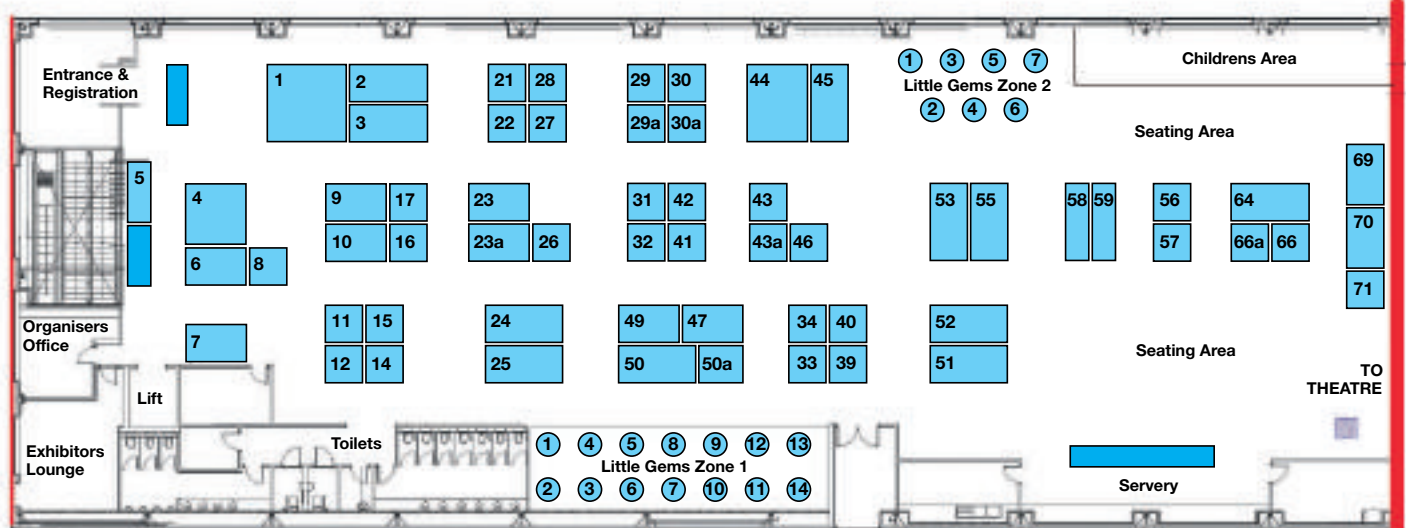
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# TAKEOUT: ARRESTS IN RAIDS

FOUR restaurants were raided by immigration officers last Friday following a tip off that staff were in the country illegally.

Yeung's Chinese restaurant and new Indian restaurant The Spice Lounge, both in Preston Street, along with The Raj of India in West Street and India Royal in East Street were all hit in the same evening.

The raids came on the same day that Britain introduced a points system for immigrants, similar to that used by Australia, and toughened up the laws on employing illegal workers.

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

Eight officers wearing stab vests, including a handful of Swale police constables, surrounded Yeung's and the Raj at about 6pm, covering all exits to ensure no-one could escape.

They then burst in and searched the premises.

An eyewitness who saw the raid on The Raj said: "The restaurant was swamped with police. It looked like they were questioning all the staff."

Following a search of all four restaurants, immigration officials rounded up the staff at each and questioned waiters, waitresses, barmen and chefs,

inspecting their documents and checking their immigration status.

Five Bangladeshi men found to be in Britain illegally were arrested at the Raj, and taken to a detention centre. Steps are now being made to remove them from the country.

The owner of the restaurant was served with a notification of potential liability for prosecution.

Three more Bangladeshi men were arrested at The Spice Lounge.

Two were also arrested at Yeung's Chinese restaurant and both were taken into custody. This is the second time the restaurant has been raided by immigration officers in the last six

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Picture: PHIL HOUGHTON

## RESTAURANT RAIDS

In the latest raid by immigration officials, four restaurants in Faversham were targeted. Following a tip-off, officers raided The Raj of India (pictured) and Preston Street's Yeung's Chinese restaurant, as well as the Spice Lounge, and India Royal.

A number of arrests were made and investigations continue.

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# Town's place on the map of laughter

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

TOP stand-ups are coming to Faversham thanks to a new company promising to revitalise Kent's comedy circuit.

Comedy Inc's inaugural show at the Arden Theatre features Norman Lovett, who played the famously incompetent ship's computer Holly in cult sci-fi sit comedy Red Dwarf.

Other names taking to the stage include Richard Herring, Comedy Store regular Stephen K Amos, who recently appeared on the BBC's Live at the Apollo, and Edinburgh Fringe favourite Trevor Lock.

Richard Coughlan, who runs Comedy Inc, said: "Our gigs are not just a load of open-mic nights or gong shows for locals with less than talent than an X Factor reject. Our gigs are all high quality and value for money, that's a guarantee."

And Coughlan is not just putting on the shows, he is presenting them as well, drawing on years of stand-up experience to work the audience and hold the shows together.

In fact it was his years touring the country that made him realise Kent was bereft of a "proper comedy circuit".

He said: "In six years of travelling the UK performing in front of thousands of people I realised that Kent is, for no logical reason, the only place in the entire country that has no proper live comedy circuit. Why? Bristol has one, Hampshire has one, even Cardiff has one, but not Kent, until now."

With this in mind, he is currently looking to set up similar shows in Sittingbourne, Ashford, Gravesend and Greenwich, and already hosts two other nights at The Beacon Court Tavern in Gillingham, and a London show at The Albany in Deptford.

As well as established names, Mr Coughlan has several gigs planned



**LAUGH OUT LOUD:** Richard Coughlan is bringing comedy to our town

which aim to showcase the comedy talent of tomorrow, live in Faversham.

He said: "People will be able to enjoy the best the UK stand up circuit has to offer. We are bringing some of the biggest legends in comedy as well as some of the brightest stars for the future."

Forthcoming acts at the Arden include Big Brother's Big Mouth presenter Russell Kane and up-and-coming touring comedians James Sherwood, Carl Donnelly, Michael Fabbri and Andy Watson.

And despite tickets being on sale for less than a month, the Norman Lovett show on Thursday, March 20, has already sold out, a good sign for the future of Faversham comedy, following promotion on several social networking sites.

For more information join the Comedy Inc Facebook group, or MySpace page, or email them direct at comedyinc@hotmail.co.uk.

## Points to make system tighter

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months.

A Home Office spokesman said: "It used to be very hard to prove that an employer had employed someone knowing they were not allowed to work in the country. Now we are moving towards negligence, so it is up to employers to make the proper checks."

Under the new laws introduced on Friday, February 29, not making the proper checks can mean a fine of up to £10,000 per illegal employee. However, this only applies to workers employed after the law changed.

The raids were said to be the result of information passed to immigration officials.

Tony Smith, regional director of the Border and Immigration Agency, said: "Illegal working is unfair on honest employers who recruit staff with the right to work in the UK and who pay them a proper salary."

"Employers who don't play by these rules will get struck off our register, lose the right to recruit staff from outside Europe, face on the spot fines and potentially end up in jail."

Fingerprint visas have been rolled out across the globe to prevent people coming to the UK on a false identity. Meanwhile, ID cards will be introduced for foreign nationals in 2008.

Employers needing guidance can visit [www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk](http://www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk) or call the BIA's helpline on 0845 010 6677.

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**NEWS IN BRIEF**

## Business tastes good

FAVERSHAM has picked up two gongs at the Taste of Kent awards.

Family butchers Barkaways, who have made a name for themselves with their sausages, was named Kent Butcher of 2007. And the Ardenes restaurant won the Kent Restaurant of the Year Award 2007.

The awards took place at Eastwell Manor, near Ashford.

## The union needs you

THE Castaways, Faversham's rugby union side, is looking for players to boost its ranks.

The club grew out of an annual charity match against Sittingbourne. The Faversham squad, who played for other clubs in the area, used to come together each year on Boxing Day.

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# City rejects party's break away plans

## But Faversham First vow to keep fighting

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

**FAVERSHAM** First has been rebuffed by Canterbury council over suggestions the town could break away from Swale.

In a recent interview with Yourswale, the city council's chief executive Colin Carmichael dismissed ideas put forward in Faversham First's party literature regarding a split from Swale.

Yet Mr Carmichael admitted that residents probably felt more akin to Canterbury than the other Swale towns.

He said: "In some ways people in Faversham probably feel they have more in common with Canterbury than Sittingbourne or Sheppey, and there is a strong historical link between the two places.

"But to change anything would take an act of parliament, and realistically, I don't think anybody is going to do it. There is too much to sort out.

"Faversham has always had strong links with Canterbury, and we work closely with Swale council to make sure things are run with as



**FIRST:** Chris Boden's (left) hopes of seeing Faversham shift from Swale to Canterbury council control looks unlikely

much coordination as possible, in terms of transport links and times."

Despite Mr Carmichael's assertions, a spokesman for the controversial independent party was defiant, claiming that if people wanted it to happen, Faversham could break from the borough and join the Canterbury district.

A spokesman calling himself The Lighterman – the supposed author of several pamphlets which have been circulating in the town in recent weeks – said: "I only agree with Mr Carmichael in so far as Faversham does have more in common with Canterbury than Sheppey or Sittingbourne.

"However, as to whether or not this will happen due to the workload I say this; democracy



is about the will of the people and those either elected or employed to or by local authorities or central government are there by the grace of the will of the people.

"If the majority of the people want it to happen, then it should be made to be so. If it requires an act of parliament, so be it. If the people want it, let them have it!"

Faversham First is one of a slew of localised parties started by rogue Tory councillor Chris Boden.

Last year the party won seats on the Isle of Sheppey as Sheppey First, and Mr Boden has registered nearly a dozen names including Sittingbourne First and Teynham and Lynsted First.

## Town is still a Fairtrader

**FAVERSHAM** will celebrate its ethical status at a special ceremony this week as part of Fairtrade fortnight.

Running until Sunday, March 9, events include a ceremony at the Baptist Church Hall when the town will carry out a rededication of its Fairtrade status, first achieved in March 2006.

Fairtrade refreshments will be available, along with a Traidcraft Stall, and other stallholders who have contacts with communities to sell their products, such as the Ghana Educational Link.

A spokesman for the town's Fairtrade consortium said: "To maintain our status an application had to be made to the Fairtrade Foundation to ensure progress in drawing attention to the issues surrounding Fairtrade have been made.

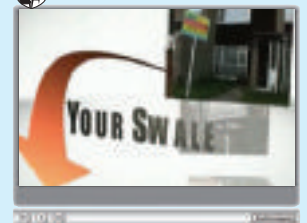
"The people of Faversham are certainly aware, with 56 per cent of those questioned knowing that Faversham is a Fairtrade Town, which compares to 36 per cent two years ago."

The ceremony will be held in the Baptist Church Hall on Saturday, March 8, from 10am to 1pm.

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## Police trio commended for efforts

**THREE** Faversham police officers have been recognised for their outstanding work in bringing a notorious criminal to justice.

Detective Inspector Barry Knott, Detective Constable Mark Silk and Detective Constable Vincent Straine-Francis received commendations at the Area Commander's Award Ceremony at Leeds Castle last month.

The trio were noted for their work in an investigation which started 18 months ago and successfully led to a long jail term for the guilty man.

In June 2006, Wayne Willett went to the beer garden of the Hole in the Wall public house in Faversham and stabbed another man with a knife.

DI Barry Knott led what was a difficult and demanding investigation along with DC Mark Silk and DC Straine-Francis.

The officers instigated Operation Polo, a witness support programme which helped boost witness confidence. This support and reassurance continued up to and during the trial, and Willetts was convicted of wounding with intent and sentenced to eight years in prison.

## Emergency action plans could team up with Ashford

**EMERGENCY** planning for Swale could be shared with Ashford under a new scheme to pool council resources.

Emergency planning outlines council policy for dealing with disasters such as floods, major transport accidents and terrorist attacks.

Swale is hoping to combine its emergency planning services with Ashford council in an effort to make the service more efficient, although bosses at the cash-strapped council say they doubt the move will save much money.

Swale's head of technical services, Brian Planner, said: "We are considering pooling our resources with Ashford, but the final decision has not yet been made.

"It is unlikely the partnership arrangements will result in a budget saving for Swale although the service would benefit from the additional resources available."

Swale currently deals with emergency planning responsibilities on its

own, whereas up until this month Ashford had an agreement with Kent County Council to help in its planning for major incidents that may happen in the area.

Emergency planning involves drawing up contingency plans for agencies that need to work together during a major incident such as the police, fire and rescue services, the NHS and councils.

Unlike Swale, Ashford says the move will save them money, and forms part of a raft of money saving ideas the council is adopting in order to keep its council tax down.

A spokesman for Ashford council said: "This will deliver a budget saving of £8,000 a year and result in a more effective service due to a greater pool of resources.

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NEWS IN BRIEF**Man could be up to his neck in trouble**

WEARING a woman's scarf has landed a Canterbury man in trouble after breaching a prevention order.

Paul Reed, 46, of Lancaster Road was arrested in Wincheap on Friday, February 22, after police spotted him wearing a woman's scarf.

Reed's attire breached a sexual offences prevention order made at Maidstone Crown Court in May 2007 that prohibited him from carrying an item of women's clothing in public.

He has been remanded in custody and will go before magistrates later this month.

**Hospital friends hold flowery fundraiser**

THE St Stephens and Westgate Group of Hospital Friends celebrated St David's Day and Mothers' Day in flowery style on Saturday with a special fundraiser for the Kent and Canterbury.

The group raised funds for patients, visitors and staff amenities at the hospital, with £340 being raised. Among the visitors was local MP Julian Brazier.

The next meeting is the AGM at St Stephen's Church Hall on April 29 at 7pm. Dr Katrina Irvine will talk about the Dermatology Centre, whose equipment was funded by the Friends.

For more details call Maddy Webster on 01227 761894.

**Teens' drunken street brawl caught on camera**

CCTV operators alerted police to a fight involving several drunken teenagers at Canterbury bus station.

Police arrested two boys and two girls in Herne Bay after the alarm was raised by operators who saw a fight break out between the group at 10.50pm on Friday, February 22.

A 15-year-old girl was issued with a reprimand for being drunk and disorderly. Another girl aged 14 and boys aged 17 and 18 were released on bail until March 13.

**Driver taken to hospital after Thanet Way crash**

A MAN has been rescued from his burning car following a crash on a slip road off the Thanet Way.

The 32-year-old was taken to the QEQM Hospital and treated for head injuries last Wednesday, after his car turned on to its roof and caught fire on the slip road off the A299 at the Margate Road and Blacksole Bridge junction in Herne Bay just after 10pm.

# 'We deserve to wear our medals'

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

AN EX-COMMANDO who took part in a daring raid in Malaya has vowed he and his comrades will wear their medals in defiance of Government edicts at a special ceremony next week.

Albert Paris, 71, from Norton Avenue, Herne Bay, was part of the task force given the dangerous mission of freeing six Australian captives from the village of Limbang in Sarawak in 1962.

Then a corporal in the Royal Marines, Mr Paris and his fellow commandos travelled through the night, mounting the raid in the early hours of the morning.

**Bravery**

Nine men were killed in the battle, including five commandos and four officers from the Sarawak police.

Despite their bravery, the men who fought in Malaya are not allowed to wear their campaign medals – awarded to them by the Malayan government – because they are not British commendations.

But veterans have decided to make a stand and have vowed to display their Malayan medals alongside the British

ones at an award ceremony in Maidstone next week.

Mr Paris said: "It's pride; a great deal of pride. The men who were killed were my friends, and it matters to us a great deal."

"It's been decided that everyone should wear their medals to the award ceremony, and wear them on Remembrance Day, to remember our friends."

"What are they going to do to us? We're in our seventies now. Veterans minister Mr Derek Twigg can go and jump in the lake."

The ceremony, on Tuesday, at the Ramada Hotel in Maidstone, will see veterans of the Malayan campaign awarded the Pingat Jasa, a special medal created by the Malayan Government to honour the men who took part in the liberation – official recognition for their efforts in addition to previously awarded campaign gongs.

The conflict, which became known as the Malayan Emergency, lasted 12 years from 1948 to 1960.

Independence from British rule was agreed in 1956 and formally declared a year later, although troops stayed until the end of the decade.

The Pingat Jasa was awarded to all soldiers who served in the country from 1956 onwards for their "distinguished chivalry, gallantry, sacrifice and loyalty". Soldiers who fought before 1956 were given the British General Service Medal with a special Malaya/Borneo clasp.



**MATTER OF PRIDE:** Albert Paris says he and his fellow commando veterans will wear their campaign medals at next week's ceremony



**BILL:** Local MP Julian Brazier's member's bill fizzled out

## Time ticks away for MP's censorship bill

JULIAN Brazier's bid to crackdown on violence in films and video games has failed.

The Canterbury Conservative MP had brought a private member's bill in a bid to increase censorship by allowing more appeals against rulings on decisions by the British Board of Film Classification.

But despite support from a number of Tory and Labour MPs, the bill failed when the debate ran out of time on Friday.

Private member's bills allow back bench MPs to have the chance to push through changes to legislation, but only if agreement can be reached in set times.

It was far from a forgone conclusion, however, with both Government and opposition front benches opposed to it.

The Lib Dems had also refused to give it their support.

Mr Brazier had cited recent BBFC classifications for the likes of the controversial video game Manhunt and the film Eastern Promise as examples where what he considered unsuitable material had been passed.

The bill would have made the BBFC accountable to Parliament and the public in a bid to "encourage a return to more responsible decisions".

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**DESIGN FLAWS:** Poor layout has been blamed for the Horsebridge Centre's inability to raise sufficient revenue

# Funds threat to future of Horsebridge

DESIGN flaws have been blamed for leaving one of Whitstable's best-loved community facilities facing an uncertain future.

The Horsebridge Centre only opened four years ago, but council chiefs say its future is 'precarious' due to continued and increasing reliance on council funding.

And the arts centre's layout has been blamed for not generating sufficient revenues.

Assistant head of culture for the council, David Ford, said: "The ability to generate significantly more funding is compromised by the poor layout of the building and in particular the various meeting rooms within the building which are rarely fit for purpose."

"While usage of these rooms is fairly high, the board feel the charges reflect the quality of what is offered."

"The funding position means that the long term viability of the centre is precarious. The board of trustees, officers and members are currently looking at a range of options - operational and business efficiencies, improved retail offer - to address the projected shortfall."

"Until the issue is addressed, the Horsebridge will remain a significant financial and reputational risk to the council."

The Horsebridge Arts Centre opened in 2004 and its two galleries are well used, with

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

both holding year-round displays totalling 115 separate exhibitions, seen by more than 100,000 people.

Yet a council report places it third highest on Canterbury's strategic risk register.

The centre faces an estimated £94,000 annual shortfall by 2011/2012, after turnover from the centre and money from trusts and grants is accounted for. It is this shortfall that will have to be met by the council.

Some community groups have added their criticism, arguing it is a case of form over function.

Mark Lawson, of morris men troupe Dead Horse, said: "As a shape it's beautifully inventive, very 21st century, with a design that pays homage to the past. But it doesn't actually work."

"We looked into using it to dance in but the rooms were either too small or the floors were highly finished and we weren't allowed to dance on them."

"My brother played in a band in the top room with the large copper dome over the top. The acoustics were terrible. It doesn't seem to occur to modern designers that people might actually want to sing or play music in these places."

## yourswale NEWS IN BRIEF

### Work set to begin at the Beany Institute

THE REDEVELOPMENT of the Beany Institute gets underway this month, ahead of major development later this year.

The Heritage Lottery Fund has allocated £6.5 million to the project, led by Canterbury council and Kent County Council, to conserve and enhance the late Victorian building, provide a new extension, and transform the range and quality of displays and services on offer.

Disabled access will also be a priority, and a central glass lift will give people better access to the upper floors.

KCC cabinet member for community services Mike Hill said: "This is an exciting project and we are looking forward to involving local people as it moves forward."

The Beany is likely to close for redevelopment in the winter of 2008 and reopen in 2011. A temporary library service will be provided during this time at nearby council buildings.

The initial works will close the lending library on Wednesday, March 12.

For further information call 08458 247247, email canterburylibrary@kent.gov.uk or visit www.kent.gov.uk/libraries.

### Yob punched man twice during city centre attack

A THUG punched a man in the face twice for no reason, a court was told.

Canterbury magistrates heard how Shane Harper, 31, was in the city centre on June 9 last year when he tried to start a fight.

He admitted assaulting Daniel Price as he walked along Palace Street.

Harper walked over and hit Mr Price in the mouth, causing a split bottom lip. He then punched him again as he went down, damaging his top lip.

He was given an 18-month supervision order and ordered to pay Mr Price £100 compensation, plus £200 costs.

### New drive to stop motorists using mobiles behind wheel

POLICE have renewed efforts to get drivers off the phone in and around Canterbury.

It comes after a RAC Foundation survey revealed many people still illegally use handheld mobile phones while driving.

Police launched an enforcement campaign at the end of January and locally 193 motorists were stopped and fined in the first week of the Canterbury campaign, but this fell to 59 in second. Kent police see this as a sign the safety message was getting through.

Inspector Geoff Wood from the roads policing unit said: "Kent police tasks its officers to always look for illegal mobile phone use while on regular patrol."

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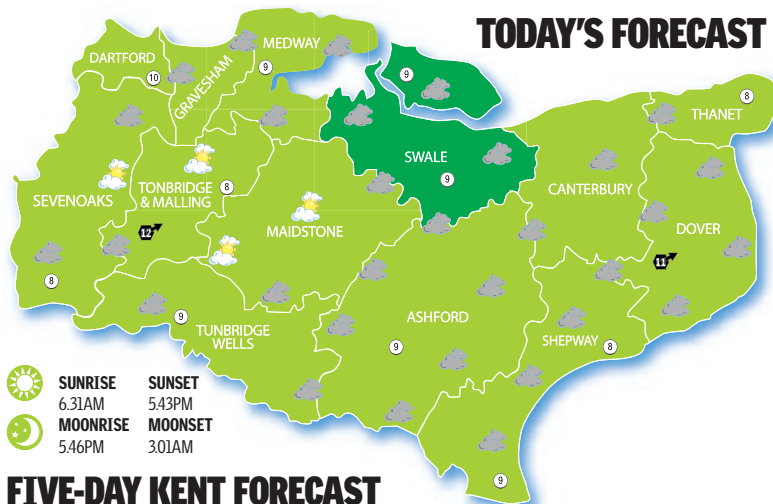


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	Sunday	12:05pm	8.0m
Ramsgate	Saturday	11:51am	5.1m
	Sunday	12:30pm	5.2m
Sheerness	Saturday	1:10pm	5.8m
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Chatham	7°C	9°C	12°C	11°C	11°C	Ramsgate	7°C	8°C	11°C	10°C	11°C
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## yourswale NEWS IN BRIEF



WELL DONE: The mid Kent area award winners

## Rewarding bravery

BRAVE police officers and members of the public were rewarded for their selfless acts at the Mid-Kent Area Commander's Awards.

Among the Swale winners were Paul Glynne, who answered a police officer's call for help by chasing after and detaining a suspect, PC Jason Hedges, who had worked within Sittingbourne town centre for more than four years, and Leanne Terry, who pursued a man who had tried to break into her father's car.

The awards were given out by Chief Supt Alasdair Hope and High Sheriff Nigel Wheeler at Leeds Castle this week.

Mr Hope said: "The Area Commander's Awards are designed to recognise more than just those who perform well, but those individuals whose actions go way beyond the call of duty. All recipients are examples of Mid Kent's finest policing and they should rightly be proud of their achievement in gaining this award. It is also an opportunity to acknowledge members of the public who have assisted the police in keeping Mid Kent safe."

The Swale winners were Daril Ling and Mark Curtis, Mrs Jastinder Kaur Sahemi, PC Jason Hedges, Paul Glynne, Miss Leanne Terry, Jack Standen and Thomas Standen.

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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### ANDY RENSHAW



#### Q What does your job involve?

**A** I'm a support worker so for most of the week I visit people in their own homes around Canterbury, Faversham, Whitstable and Herne Bay.

I help them out with anything they need help with, like bills or shopping, or just provide someone to talk to if they need to get something off their chest.

It makes sure they have some contact during the week.

I do two days a week at the Mustard Seed day centre in Canterbury where we offer a number of workshops including things like pottery, painting and drama.

I'm running a silk-screen printing workshop at the moment. The purpose is to boost people's confidence and social skills.

One of the main issues you find if someone is suffering from mental health problems is it knocks their confidence and sociability, and makes them very insular.

I also work at Webbs Gardens, which is a walled garden in the grounds of St Martin's Hospital. It is a great place, and because it's walled in, it's like an oasis where people can work at their own pace.

We grow our own vegetables and sell produce, as well as run courses in woodwork and horticulture.

We have a strong link with Hadlow College who offer qualifications in horticulture.

At Webbs, people can learn new skills which could allow them to find work in a market gar-

den or garden centre. The aim is to help people move on and if it's what they want, into employment or further education.

#### Q Do you notice a big difference in people who have been working at Webbs?

**A** Yes. It may sound flaky, but I think it really helps people to be involved in planting seeds and watching them grow, in creating life almost.

#### Q What is it like doing this sort of work? It must be stressful at times?

**A** I count myself as very fortunate in having quite a few things outside work that act as a release.

I'm a musician in a band called Relig Oran, which takes music from all over the world and mixes it together to create fairly contemporary folk. We are doing a few festivals this year so that's going well.

I also went to art college where I learnt to paint so I keep that up too.

But it can be a stressful job. You are sometimes dealing with people who are very unwell, and as you are often one of the only points of contact you get it in the neck.

It can get complicated. You just sort of learn to read people, to see how they are feeling in themselves. It's about understanding people.

#### Q Why do you think there is such a stigma attached to mental health problems?

**A** There is a stigma attached to mental health. Mostly it's due to ignorance, but to be fair to the general public, there is not much information out there.

The only time that most people hear about mental health is when something terrible has happened and someone's been killed or something. That does happen, but it's a tiny, tiny minority.

Most people with mental health issues just want to get on with their lives as best they can.

#### Q How do you think this situation could be changed?

**A** It's about aspects to information, and maybe focusing on some of the positive aspects. It helps when papers like yours take an interest.

Most stigma is based on ignorance, so if we can educate people about the issues surrounding mental health that is a good thing.

#### Q Do you think it helps when celebrities such as Stephen Fry go public about their mental health issues?

**A** That's a very brave thing to do, and it shows that it's not just weird people in council houses who suffer from mental health problems, which is what many people seem to think.

It can affect anyone regardless of status. Especially in the case of someone like Stephen Fry; people really like him and he's very articulate, and they can see he's not just "some weird bloke".



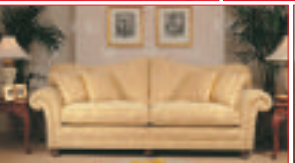
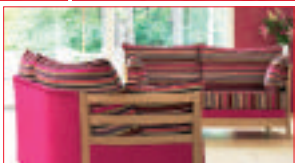
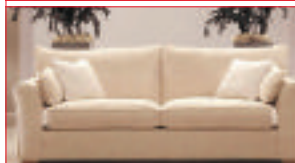
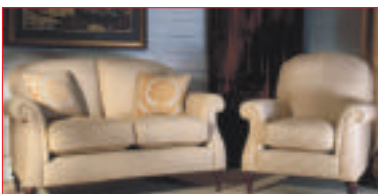
Support worker Andy Renshaw talks to **GARETH ARNOLD** about his job and the stigma surrounding mental health problems, and what can be done to alter public perceptions of the issue



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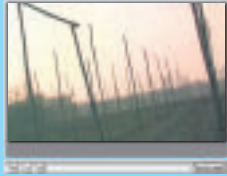


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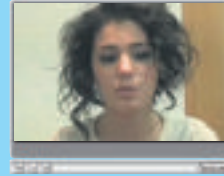
**A training session** in Maidstone as part of the FA Skills Coaching Scheme for five to 11 year olds.



**Action from the quad bike** racing on Margate beach which this year attracted more than 100 riders.



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# Addicted to the run

Sports reporter **David Pritchard** spent Sunday preparing for an assault on the London Marathon next month with a 20-mile run up and down the hills of Thanet. He explains what drives him on and why, for a few hours, he'll be part of sport's elite

"MY name is David Pritchard and I am a jogger." They say admitting you have a problem is the best way to conquering your addiction, so I guess that's the first hurdle cleared.

I am coming clean because since October I have given up several evenings a week, plus most of my weekends, to running. It is all in the name of preparation for one big day out in April when I will join around 45,000 others attempting to complete the London Marathon.

The question is, why do so many otherwise apparently sane people commit themselves to six months of painful, exhausting training, all so they can run for hours on end around the capital?

Are we all mad?

The thought did cross my mind more than once on Sunday as I plodded my way round the Thanet 20-mile course with 500 others, most of whom were using it as a training race for London.

Granted it was a nice day to be outside, and the fact I had run 20 miles before some people had got out of bed did make me feel undeniably smug, but there must be better ways to see Ramsgate?

Nevertheless, as I write with limbs still aching from the exertions, I believe I have stumbled on the reason we put ourselves through all this agony.

Some good-hearted souls may do it to raise money for worthy causes, but I think for the majority – including myself – this is a positive by-product rather than the main motivation.

Instead, my theory is we do it to live out our

sporting fantasies. That may sound a little odd, but stay with me, I'm going somewhere with this.

You see, while most sport-loving people grow up with dreams of scoring a cup final winner or Olympic gold, sadly for all but a chosen few, at some point we have to admit defeat and get back to reality.

However, running the marathon allows us to revive those hopes and transforms us into sporting stars for the day.

We get to run on the same course at the same time as some of the world's best athletes, cheered on by almost a million spectators, with everything beamed live across the world.

It's like having a kick-around at Wembley just after the FA Cup final, playing a round at St Andrews during golf's Open Championship, or driving your old banger around Silverstone during the British Grand Prix.

Sure we are never going to win and the only way we are likely to get on TV is if we are dressed as a deep sea diver or Marilyn Monroe (at this point I would like to make it clear I will be doing neither), but that's not the point.

In exchange for a few months' lonely slog around the streets we get to live the dream, and when you look at it like that we don't seem so mad after all.

At least that's my excuse for not kicking the habit and I'm sticking to it.

**• David is attempting to raise £1,500 for Cardiac Risk in the Young by completing the London Marathon. If you would like to sponsor him you can go to [www.justgiving.com/davepritchard](http://www.justgiving.com/davepritchard) and donate online.**

Picture: GLEN PEARSON



**ON TRACK:** KOS Media sports reporter David Pritchard is putting in the miles in preparation for the London Marathon in April, all for charity

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### 'Phenomenal' response to Kent Big Day Out

THOUSANDS of free tickets to some of the county's top visitor attractions were nabbed within hours of being made available.

An incredible 11,000 of the 16,000 tickets available as part of the Kent Big Day Out event were downloaded within eight hours of the Visit Kent website going live.

But the good news is there are still tickets available for a range of destinations.

Fran Warrington, head of tourism at Kent County Council, said: "The response to our second Kent Big Day Out has been phenomenal."

"Steam train journeys and boat trips were among the first to be snapped up closely followed by many of our newer attractions such as Dickens World, Go Ape at Bedgebury and Leeds Castle, as well as our iconic destinations such as Dover Castle and Canterbury Cathedral." For further information about all the attractions taking part in the Kent Big Day Out 2008 visit [www.visitkent.co.uk](http://www.visitkent.co.uk) or call in at a visitor information centre.

### New competition looks for short comedy films

BUDDING film-makers still have time to enter a new competition looking for the short comedy films.

The 2 Days Laughter competition is being run by Margate-based Beeping Bush Productions and Canterbury firm Close-Up Film.

Organisers are looking for short films or sketches, stand-up or improvised routines of no more than five minutes in length.

Entrants may take time to develop their script, but the actual shoot and edit must take place over just 48 hours.

The shortlisted films will be put before a panel of industry professionals, which includes one of UK's favourite and most prolific actresses, Ramsgate-born Brenda Blethyn.

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# Tory health chief backing our campaign to wipe out infection

BY JENNA PUDELEK

**SHADOW** Health Secretary Andrew Lansley has backed KOS Media's campaign to promote hand hygiene in hospitals and healthcare centres across Kent.

The message is simple – WASH YOUR HANDS – and help the county's hard working doctors, nurses and other healthcare professionals in their battle against superbugs.

The leading Tory came to Kent this week to view proposals for the new PFI hospital planned for Pembury near Tunbridge Wells.

Health bosses want it to be 100 per cent single rooms, which would tackle infection control problems and offer patient dignity.

He also visited Kent and Sussex Hospital in Tunbridge Wells, which saw two killer outbreaks of the superbug *Clostridium difficile*.

Asked whether he would back KOS Media's campaign, he said: "Yes absolutely, I think the public need to be aware that control of infection is something we can all play our part in."

He said killer bugs could live in the community and not cause problems, but when people are vulnerable and in hospital, care homes or even GP surgeries, germs can spread and patients are more susceptible to infection.

"People have to start thinking about managing infection as part of our social responsibility. We all need to be aware of the need to use alcohol gel in hospitals and in the case of C diff the need to wash your hands with soap and water," Mr Lansley said.

He added: "These airborne diseases can be minimised by people behaving well hygienically and making people increasingly aware of the need to protect others."

Deaths from the superbug C diff rose 72 per cent nationally between 2005 and 2006, figures from the Office for National Statistics revealed on Thursday.

In the South East there was an increase of 51 per cent with 292 people dying in 2005,



**NEW PFI:** Andrew Lansley, Greg Clark and Sir John Stanley being shown the model of the new hospital by hospital estates director Graham Goddard



compared to 576 the following year.

The ONS found that the majority of deaths across the country were among elderly people.

Meanwhile, MRSA took only 34 more lives in 2006 than the previous year in South East – a pattern also reflected nationally.

The Department of Health said the increase was because of more complete reporting on death certificates and said that infection rates had since dropped.

Infection rates in trusts across Kent have improved since 2006.

NHS South East Coast, the strategic health authority for Kent, Surrey and Sussex, said figures from the Health Protection Agency at the end of last year showed a continuing decline of C diff infections since 2006.

It expects to wipe out cases of hospital acquired MRSA by 2011.



**STYLE GURU:** Celebrity stylist Gok Wan with New Look competition winners at Bluewater

## How to look good dressed

THREE lucky ladies found out how to look great this spring with the help of celebrity stylist Gok Wan.

The star of Channel 4's *How To Look Good Naked* paid a visit to Bluewater on Saturday, where he transformed the fully-clothed looks of the three competition winners.

Hannah Chapman, 14, from Dartford, Emma Douglas, 36, from Nuneaton and Carole Gunning, 47, from West Kingsdown, were treated to an expert makeover by Gok himself after winning a competition run by New Look.

### Shapes

He showed them which colours and shapes suited them, before dressing them each in a fantastic new outfit from New Look's spring/summer collection.

Once hair and make-up stylist Yvette Redmond had added the finishing touches, Hannah, Emma and Carole left feeling like superstars.

Gok Wan will be filming *How To Look Good Naked* in the Guild Hall at Bluewater on Friday (Mar 7) and Friday, April 4.

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## Whatever happened to the blood and tears protests?

WHAT'S wrong with protestors these days?

Once upon a time a protest was an act of mass unity – battling for a cause with sheer weight of numbers hoping to sway opinion.

Placards would be waved, chants sang, and if tempers were getting frayed, then it was all rounded off with a good old-fashioned brawl with baton-wielding PC Plod and his chums.

The air would be thick with the sound of northern accents as the union officials berated anyone in authority safe among their cloth-cap wearing pals.

The news coverage was suitably dramatic. Men were dragged from the road with their legs tightly crossed. A few dazed looking ones who had just received a right old whack to the temple from a policeman whose patience and lust for a bit of blood was all too much for him would stagger conveniently towards the cameras.

Bloody bandages were worn as a badge of honour; scars to compare next time a day on the picket line standing around a roaring fire in an old dustbin was required. But not any more.

If the miners strike in the Eighties led to anything, it was some rather sweeping legislation banning more than two people standing together with a protesting glint in the eyes... or something like that. Police could now shoot anyone from Yorkshire handling a placard on sight.

Granted, there are a few exceptions – for example when the police start bleating about their pay, they are obviously allowed to take to the streets in whatever numbers they like.

But for the rest of us, a protest today is along the lines of that witnessed last week over the proposed third runway at Heathrow. A bunch of students clambering onto Parliament and unfurling some banners while speaking live to BBC News 24 reporters on their mobiles.

It's a fair trade off too. After all, the purpose of these things is to purely fill the hours of all-day news channels. They get something to witter on about and the protesters get the publicity.

But these protests are as pointless as the Fathers for Justice idiots who used to dress up as superheroes and then leave us all open-mouthed by climbing on to Buckingham Palace or some such landmark.

Open mouthed, because no-one could come up with a good reason why those police with itchy baton fingers were not sent up immediately to beat the living daylight out of them.

I'm not saying we should ban protesters, but why not let's have a return to the red-blooded disputes of the past, where men were men and police were sadistic maniacs? Then you could really make a point and show you meant it.

And what better way to test out this suggestion by all of us taking to the streets of Canterbury and Whitstable to call for an immediate ban on the opening of any more ruddy coffee shops; of which there seems to be one for every resident, but never a spare sofa when you need one and have £10 to spend on some exotic bean flavoured froth.

Or perhaps as a halfway house the police could beat us all with Danish pastries and hose us down with scalding hot Starbucks.

Now that's a protest.

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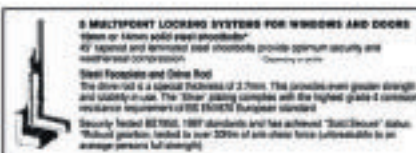
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IT'S one of the top dates on the golfing calendar with enthusiasts flocking to the London Golf Show.

And you could be there too next month thanks to this newspaper.

We have teamed up with organisers of the event at the ExCeL in London to offer ten readers a pair of tickets each.

Ryder Cup hero David Howell was among those at last year's London Golf Show and ExCeL London will once again open its doors to the golfing world, from April 25-27.

Howell was representing Cleveland Golf as one of the manufacturer's tour pros and the company will be returning along with fellow big brands Nike and Wilson.

All three will showcase their latest equipment on the purpose-built indoor driving range, while Cleveland and Wilson will also have their custom-fit trucks at the show, so golfers can enjoy the experience as tour professionals.

What's more, visitors stand to get even better value this year with a stunning offer on advanced tickets pricing them at two for just £15, while under-13s go free when accompanied by an adult.

And everyone coming to the show

can get free entry to A Place in the Sun Live, the world's largest overseas property exhibition, which is at ExCeL at the same time – that's two tickets to two shows for just £15.

With exhibitors showing everything from equipment and fashions to golfing gadgets and the hottest holiday destinations from around the world, the 2008 London Golf Show promises to be a great day out.

We have 10 pairs of tickets to the event to giveaway.

To enter, simply answer the question below and send your entry on a postcard along with your e-mail address (if applicable), name, address, and daytime telephone number to London Golf Show Comp, KOS Media, Apple Barn, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent, TN25 6SR. You can also text your answer to 81800, by sending LON08, followed by a space, the answer, a space and your name and address.

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**Question: Where is the London Golf Show being held this April?**



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## TALK TIME

### ALEXANDER EARL

The real ale campaigner talks about Swale CAMRA and the county's breweries.



#### Tell us about yourself and Swale CAMRA.

I'm 25 and a recently qualified domestic energy assessor. I have been a member of the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) for eight years now. I decided to join because I was concerned about the decline in pubs and traditional drinks. I have the opinion of 'use it or lose it'. CAMRA is a campaigning body for real ale, pubs and drinkers' rights. It aims to heighten awareness of the variety of styles and flavours of real ale and also to support the pubs where they are sold. They also have political campaigns such as the Full Pint Petition.

#### What do members in the Swale area do?

There are just under 200 members in the Swale branch, of which a handful are under 26. We have monthly meetings at various pubs which bring people together to discuss pub/brewery news. We have pub walks and brewery visits, mainly to Shepherd Neame, who are very hospitable. Annually we vote for and survey pubs which we feel deliver quality and deserve a place in the Good Beer Guide.

#### The county has 12 breweries, are we blessed in terms of real ale?

Scratch the surface and you will find some good pubs in Kent. For example the Shipwrights Arms and the Elephant have won Pub of the Year 2006 and 2007 respectively. There are two breweries in Swale; Shepherd Neame (Britain's oldest brewer) and Hop Daemon. Shepherd Neame dominates Kent with its pubs, but it has great commitment to real ale and has recently opened a micro-brewery to allow more flexibility. Are we blessed in terms of real ale? My personal opinion is that there is still work to be done, but we are certainly going in the right direction and it would be great to have more young people on board.

## YOUR LETTERS



### Centre is no good without artists

It's about time a boost was announced for Faversham as your front page story promised last week. But it will need more than an arts centre to bring the area forward.

If it indeed is to be turned into a creative hub then artists and musicians need to be attracted to the area too.

Philip Bradshaw  
Via email



## ENTRY EXTENDED

THERE'S still time to enter the fabulous competition we ran last week to land one of 30 pairs of tickets and a goody bag for the Vitality Show with Muller at London's Olympia.

Europe's largest health, beauty and well-being show takes place between March 27-30.

And we are grateful to all of our readers who contacted us to point out, due to a glitch in the system, the question posed to win the tickets was omitted from our copy. Everyone who has contacted us has been entered into the prize. But those who want to enter can still do so as the closing date is now March 14.

To be in with a chance of winning, answer the question below and send your entry on a postcard along with your email address (if applicable), name, address and daytime telephone number to: Vitality Show Comp, KOS Media, Apple Barn, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR. Q. In which UK city is the Vitality Show taking place?

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### Navigation systems are totally useless

I have to agree with the story you carried about satellite navigation systems. They are worse than

useless. If someone says to me they are using one to get to my address or a place we have arranged to meet I allow an extra half an hour for them to arrive.

Mary Taylor  
Faversham



### Royal visitor good for the marshes

The visit of Prince Edward to these parts was a welcome boost for locals and he came across extremely well. The eco-tourism drive at Elmley Marshes deserves every success and I for one will be a frequent visitor

Stephen Larkins  
Sheerness

### Prince Edward took a real interest

I would like to thank Prince Edward for coming to Sheppey to see our regeneration projects and Elmley Marshes Nature Reserve. Anyone living on the island knows it is a special place, but this is not often recognised by royalty.

The prince seems to have spent a lot of time talking to children at the community hall, meeting amateur boxers and chatting to regeneration workers about the Thames Gateway.

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Karen Adams,  
from Minster

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## Why we can't bloom without contest

What a great shame it was to read the Swale in Bloom contest is threatened by the latest council cutbacks.

It was an annual event which brought a great deal of happiness and, more importantly, community pride and to see it not taking place this summer is a real shame.

Villages across the district made a great effort to impress and the results lived long past the closing dates.

I hope it returns soon.

Eric Jones  
Faversham

## Know the signs before it's too late

Meningitis Research Foundation is working in the South East to help individuals and families whose lives have been affected by meningitis and septicaemia, the blood poisoning form of the disease.

These are devastating illnesses which affect some 3,000 people every year in the UK.

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Your readers can get information on meningitis and septicaemia by calling Meningitis Research Foundation's Freephone 24 hour helpline - 0800 8800 3344.

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Information on meningitis and septicaemia is also provided in 22 languages in both written and audio format, from the Foundation's website - [www.meningitis.org](http://www.meningitis.org). Additionally an interpretation service is available in 120 languages through the helpline.

Knowing the symptoms of meningitis and septicaemia is vital as early diagnosis and treatment offers the best chance of a good recovery. However, for those already affected the Foundation can provide that much needed help and support.

Julia Warren  
Meningitis Research Foundation

## Runners to paint the town red for charity

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Carole Gryglaszewski  
H.E.A.R.T UK

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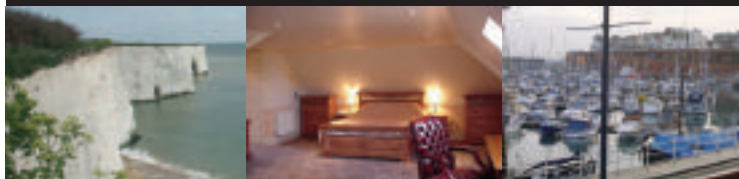
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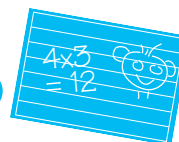


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## BREAK TIME

### Author booked to hold assembly

CHILDREN'S author Ruth Thomson will give readings of her works to youngsters during a day-long visit to Milstead and Frinsted primary school.

The popular writer, who has penned books such as the Adventures in Literacy series and Re-Using and Recycling, will be guest of honour at the Sittingbourne schools on Friday.

The visit has been planned as part of World Book Week celebrations.

Ruth is expected to hold a morning assembly before giving readings and presentations to different key stage groups.

### Primary says oui to language award

GROVE Park Primary School has been given a big 'tres bien' by education bosses for its level of teaching French to pupils.

The Sittingbourne school received the silver accreditation for primary languages by Kent Advisory Service in recognition of their hard work in giving eight to 11-year-olds a taste of French much earlier than other youngsters.

Teacher Sarah Riggs said: "We're very pleased we have done so well. We skipped past bronze status, so we're very pleased about that, too."

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# 'Outstanding' marks given in Ofsted report

■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

THE Westlands School has received an 'outstanding' rating by Ofsted inspectors – joining an elite group of schools nationwide in attaining the highest ranking.

Overall effectiveness, achievement and standards, the curriculum, guidance and support and leadership and management were all dubbed grade one 'outstanding', while the sixth form, personal development and teaching and learning were said to be 'good'.

Headteacher Jon Whitcombe was delighted with the findings, saying: "The publication of this Ofsted report marks the proudest moment in the history of The Westlands School."

"For Westlands to be judged as an outstanding provider of education is a tremendous accolade to the staff, pupils, parents and governors of the school."

"Very few secondary schools nationally are judged to be in the prestigious outstanding category."

The Ofsted inspectors poured praise on Mr Whitcombe and the school in general.

The detailed report stated: "The Westlands School provides an outstanding quality of education and care for its pupils."

"The headteacher is a very strong driving force for change. He leads a very dedicated team whose relentless focus on raising standards has made a significant difference to the amount of progress pupils make."

"Actions taken since the last inspection have effectively improved the quality of teaching and the sixth form, which are now 'good'."

"In addition, the school has used its specialist status for mathematics and computing

### THE SCHOOL WAS GIVEN THE FOLLOWING RATINGS IN THE OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT INSPECTION:

#### OUTSTANDING

- Overall effectiveness of the school
- Achievement and standards
- Curriculum and other activities
- Care, guidance and support
- Leadership and management

#### GOOD

- Effectiveness of the sixth form
- Personal development and well-being
- Teaching and learning

effectively to increase opportunities and improve resources.

"The impact of these improvements puts the school in an excellent position to develop further."

Referring to the number of pupils on Westlands' books, Mr Whitcombe said: "There are 1623 reasons why this news is so important for Sittingbourne."

"The task for my team and myself is not only to maintain this position of excellence in the future, but to steer the school ever forwards giving young people the best possible start in life."



**PRAISE:** The Westlands School joins an elite group of schools nationwide after outstanding Ofsted rating

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## Acoustic performance awaits you on **the ether**

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

WITH heartfelt lyrics and intricate guitar work, do-it-yourself singer-songwriter Jon Woode has created quite a stir from his garden shed.

Loosely described as folk, Woode's varied style has invited comparisons with Nick Drake, receiving rave reviews for his latest album *Into The Wildness*.

The Ether – our broadband TV channel [www.yourkenttv.co.uk](http://www.yourkenttv.co.uk)'s new showcase for the county's musical talent – this week features two songs performed by the acoustic artist.

He said: "I found it hard trying to pigeon-hole myself into a few genres when I will probably not stick to them. I write in whatever style or genre I have running through me at that particular moment."

"I don't like the idea of being restricted in creativity, I don't set out to write a song in a certain style, I just write it as it comes. I love the old-fashioned sounds, songs and recordings and also love to hear the new. I am not a lover of highly produced music and only wish to record the true music that I create."

Despite using a bespoke Atkin guitar, hand-built by Canterbury luthier Alistair Atkin, Woode makes a point of using simple recording techniques to maintain a raw edge.

He said: "I am not really into the over-produced sounds that flood our air waves. My first album was just a diary of songs, first takes recorded by me on a Tascam Pocket Studio 5 using only the built-in mic. I have moved on since then, but not far. I now have a Tascam eight-track and a nice Rode K2 mic."

"Although the equipment is a lot better than it was, it is still very basic and the studio I've built in my garden has no sound-proofing and



**VARIETY:** Jon Woode writes music in the style running through him at that moment

is shared with my wife's easel and paintings.

"Hopefully this will all go towards capturing a sound that is a realistic version of what I do and will be an album I'm happy to put out."

Woode performs live at various festivals and acoustic nights around the county, with notable appearances at Lounge On The Farm near Canterbury, and the city's muso-haven Orange Street Music Club. As well as formal

gigs, he also enjoys the odd appearance at open mic nights, including the renowned sessions at The Barge in Gillingham.

His love of folk music stemmed from five years spent in north Cornwall, where he lived and performed prior to moving to Kent.

Woode is currently working on his new album, *Fields Of The Senses*, which is expected in the summer.

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## Faye steps into the shoes of Eva

Former pop star brings the extraordinary story of American singer to life on stage

THE magical talent of tragic star Eva Cassidy is the subject of acclaimed musical *Over The Rainbow*.

Starring Faye Tozer, formerly of chart-topping pop group Steps, it explores the extraordinary story of the American singer who became a huge star only after her early death. The play features 27 of Cassidy's best-loved songs, including her signature tune about hope and life in a mystical land.

Born in February 1963, Cassidy was surrounded by music from the very start. Her father Hugh was a big fan of artists like Pete Seeger, Buffy St Marie and Ray Charles, infusing his daughter with a love of music and singing. He taught her to play the guitar and she was soon able to accompany herself and her three siblings, Anette, Margret and Dan.

As a teenager she sang with local bands in the Washington area and spent a summer playing guitar at a theme park. While pursuing her love of music, she also became an accomplished artist and created paintings, sculptures and jewellery.

In 1986 she met Chris Biondo, who would help her find work as a session singer, becoming both her mentor and her boyfriend.

Her first commercial recording was made with Chuck Brown, who met her through Biondo. Originally he wanted her to record one duet for inclusion on his next album, but the pair ended up

### OVER THE RAINBOW

Friday, March 14, and Saturday, March 15  
Granville Theatre, Ramsgate

releasing an entire album of duets.

Over the next few years Cassidy became a popular performer in Washington, winning a number of awards for her fantastic interpretations of popular songs.

She eventually released a live album, recorded at the city's Blues Alley, but remained virtually unknown outside her home town.

In July 1996 she noticed an ache in her hips and was diagnosed with

melanoma. Despite having treatment, she died at the family home on November 2 at the age of 33.

Six months later, a compilation of her recordings was released as the CD *Songbird*. It remained in relative obscurity for two years until Terry Wogan played two of her tracks on his BBC Radio 2 show following a recommendation from his producer.

The reaction to Cassidy's versions of *Somewhere Over The Rainbow* and *Fields Of Gold* was immediate, with a camcorder video of her singing live at Blues Alley being shown on the BBC show *Top of the Pops 2*.

*Songbird* climbed to the top of the UK album charts and since then her posthumously-released recordings have sold some six million copies.

This poignant and moving musical has been a hit all over the UK and Ireland, as well as winning Best Production Of The Year in Holland. Led by Tozer, the talented cast of *West End* performers celebrates the life and work of an unforgettable artist.

To book tickets, phone the box office on 01843 591750. For more details, visit the website at [www.granvilletheatre.com](http://www.granvilletheatre.com).

**HIT MUSICAL:** Faye Tozer stars as Eva Cassidy in *Over The Rainbow*



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## LAUREL AND HARDY

Friday, March 7  
and Saturday, March 8  
The International  
Study Centre, Canterbury

THE intriguing relationship between one of comedy's greatest duos is explored in Chalkfoot's latest production.

Laurel and Hardy explores both the on and off-screen roles of the legendary pair in a fascinating production, casting light on the realities of their relationship. In Tom McGrath's play, Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy are stuck in a limbo-like waiting room between this life and the next. Together they retrace their extraordinary career, reliving the highs and lows, swapping gags and performing the odd favourite routine.

The enormously popular



comics appeared in more than 100 films together, from the early silent 'shorts' of 1928 to their last feature in 1950. Their onscreen personas have been ingrained in popular culture for many decades – pompous and confident Ollie with his tearful sidekick Stan. But in real life their roles were often reversed, something which

should make the story of their joint career an enthralling subject. The performance will be held at the International Study Centre at Canterbury Cathedral at 7.30pm both days. Tickets cost £10.50, concessions available. Call the box office on 01227 787787 or book online at [www.marlowetheatre.com](http://www.marlowetheatre.com).

## HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Monday, September 22 to  
Saturday, September 27  
Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury

BOOK your tickets now to avoid missing out on the global phenomenon that is High School Musical.

With venues all over the country selling out well in advance, fans of the hit films are advised to book early if they want to see their favourite production on stage. The original Disney Channel movie has exploded to become an international sensation, attracting fans of all ages.

The contemporary musical comedy follows the fortunes of two very different high school students, whose shared love of



singing conflicts with their stereotyped roles. Popular basketball star Troy and shy, academic newcomer Gabriella find they have something in common when they both audition for the school musical. But their actions threaten the school's rigid social order, so their peers decide to separate the couple and keep them off-stage.

But the determined pair follow their dreams and inspire their friends to reveal some hidden talents of their own.

Tickets are priced from £17 to £34.50 and are already proving popular. Call the box office on 01227 787787 or book online at [www.marlowetheatre.com](http://www.marlowetheatre.com).

## PEARLSWORLD

Thursday, March 6  
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HEAR the dark story of how a naive young girl turned into a sadistic killer with the unique cabaret act, Pearlsworld.

The charismatic Madame Pearl tells her sad tale with the help of her accordionist Jo Random, singing about how she lost her innocence and endured a melodramatic decline into psychosis. With the help of some wonderful musical hooks, sharp lyrics and demented clowning, the pair will take the audience into the dark world of Madame Pearl's life, loves and losses. They will be joined by Des O'Connor (not the TV personality) on his tiny little ukulele.

The innocent young Pearl was cheated on by the man she loved, driving her to commit a terrible act of revenge. This prompts her to become a prostitute and begin a campaign of deception and murder.



Pearlsworld is written and performed by Erika Engqvist and Simon Shannon, whose previous credits include working with Malcolm McLaren, Heathcote Williams and the bizarre League of Gentlemen.

The show starts at 8pm and tickets cost £6/£4.

For more information visit the venue's official website at [www.orangestreetmusic.com](http://www.orangestreetmusic.com).

You can find out more about the act too by logging on to the site [www.myspace.com/madamepearl](http://www.myspace.com/madamepearl).

## SWALE LEISURE

### Art course is an iconic learning experience

LEARN how to paint an icon at a special course being held at Oare Village Hall next week.

No previous knowledge of drawing or painting is required for the course, which will run from 9.30am to 5.30pm over six days. Dates are Sunday, March 9, to Tuesday, March 11, and Saturday, March 15, to Monday, March 17.

The price of the course is £165 for the six days and lunch is included. For more information call 01795 531684 or see [www.annwelch.co.uk](http://www.annwelch.co.uk).

### Singer Mike Nicholson to play for folk club

REMARKABLE singer Mike Nicholson will perform at Faversham Folk Club next Wednesday, March 12.

Nicholson has an unassuming personality and a true love of singing. The concert will be at the Chimney Boy in Preston Street, at 8.30pm. Tickets £5 for members, £6 for non-members.

Find out more by visiting the website at [www.favershamfolkclub.net](http://www.favershamfolkclub.net).

### Kids can move to beat of favourite chart hits

ASPIRING young dancers can learn how to move to their favourite chart hits at a class in Eastling.

The freestyle dance class teaches children aged eight to 16 how to dance like their pop idols. The class is held at the village hall on Thursdays, starting at 4.15pm. Admission costs £4.

For details call Leigh on 01795 890149, email [leigh.fitness@btinternet.com](mailto:leigh.fitness@btinternet.com) or see [www.milesdanceandfitness.com](http://www.milesdanceandfitness.com).

### Travel south with Scott in exciting performance

THE last days of Scott's journey to the South Pole are explored in Terra Nova at The Playhouse in Whitstable.

This exciting play was based on the diaries of the five men who embarked on the ill-fated journey. It is being staged at the theatre in High Street until Saturday and performances start at 7.45pm daily.

Tickets cost £8/£9. To book call the box office on 01227 272042 or see [www.theplayhousewhitstable.co.uk](http://www.theplayhousewhitstable.co.uk).

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The mobile phone store is offering its customers a talk-tastic 200 UK minutes, 400 UK texts, unlimited calls to other O2 phones and free voicemail for just £15 a month. This deal also includes free itemised online billing.

For more information ask in store or visit [www.o2.co.uk](http://www.o2.co.uk).

### Next stop for great deals on kids' clothes

MORE than 100 items of stylish children's clothing are included in a massive sale at a leading high street fashion retailer.

The huge winter sale of Next has kids clothing starting from as little as £4 and accessories from £2.50.

Adults can also benefit from hundreds of items on offer from jeans, to T-shirts, to hats and scarves.

For more information see in store.

### Get a new look in time for the festival season

STORES are already looking to the summer season and stocking everything a festival girl could need.

New Look has now launched its Global Festival range with ethnic dresses, sandals and scarves a key theme.

Eye-catching pieces in the collection include a moon buckle brown vintage belt for £8, white and blue lace tops at £8 and crease front denim shorts from £18. Tank tops are a steal in white and peach from just £4.

Swing down to New Look to check out the range.

### Go light on yourself with new Anchor spreadable

LUNCHBOXES could be lighter and healthier with the help of Anchor Lighter Spreadable.

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### Asda to tighten controls on alcohol sales in store

DRINKERS will find it harder to overindulge once Asda introduces tighter controls on alcohol sales.

In a bid to help reduce underage drinking and excessive boozing, the supermarket chain has announced a new package of measures targeting the problem.

From April 7, town centre stores will not sell alcohol between midnight and 6am. Following a successful Scottish pilot, the Challenge 25 ID scheme will be extended to 100 more stores and fruit-flavoured, shot-sized 'shooters' will be removed from sale. The company also aims to have every store's 'no-under-18s' sales policy independently tested every month.



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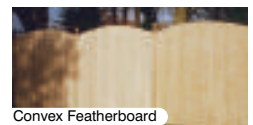
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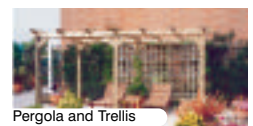
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## YOUR TV REVIEW

■ BY TOM BETTS

**LIFE IN COLD BLOOD**  
BBC1, 9pm, Monday  
**THE PALACE**  
ITV1, 9pm, Monday

THERE are some things in life that really can make your jaw hit the floor.

Images of deep space taken from the Hubble Space Telescope and, more amazingly, my pal Pete who last week managed to form a coherent sentence after necking more than ten pints of Stella Artois.

But, until you've seen a snake swallow an antelope whole, tearing its skin apart in the process, these things tend to pale into insignificance.

I refer to David Attenborough's triumphant return (isn't it always?) with the brilliant, *Life in Cold Blood*.

Last Monday, we encountered the snake in its many forms as the show managed the impossible, to make us feel sympathetic for one of the world's most reviled species.

Educational, visually stunning and surprisingly, for a programme about reptiles, occasionally touching.

At 81, and with more enthusiasm for his subject than a man half his age, Attenborough is still the consummate wildlife presenter. The whispering voice of amazement and authority.

Yet, despite all the accolades, never does he encroach on the true stars of the show, the animals themselves and even the crew get a look-in with a 10-minute slot that shows how they set about capturing such fine footage.

Making the blood run cold, but in an entirely different manner, is ITV1's *The Palace*.

Just rattling the old thumb along the remote at 9pm is a truly chilling experience. For here is a show that



CLASS: Sir David Attenborough knows his stuff

makes you actually glad that the commercial break exists.

This right royal rubbish must be manna from heaven for the BBC as Attenborough and co have been trumping the ITV effort by more than two million viewers on Mondays.

The first episode held a certain curiosity...

The King had died unexpectedly and the next in line to the throne was to grudgingly step forward to do his duty.

For a moment it was all quite exciting, well, until we found out the heir to the throne was little more than a sulking, catalogue model with a fine line of neatly pressed shirts and sticky-out pocket handkerchief things.

Yes, it was a bit of a let down, from which this jumped up Dallas-lite nonsense never really recovered.

Still, I suppose it could be worse; the next night *Hotel Babylon* was on.

Answers to all of this week's **timeout** quizzes can be found on our website

## YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



**AQUARIUS** (Jan 21-Feb 19)

YOU'RE ready to fight for your rights. Someone who has repeatedly tried to undermine you is in for a big surprise. A loud confrontation will expose them for the bully they really are. A friend may betray you this week. Perhaps they're uncomfortable with what you're doing.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762



**TAURUS** (Apr 21-May 21)

IT'S time to spread the word about your accomplishments, even though you're a pretty humble person. If you don't show off your talents, you could be passed over for the perfect job. You've been blessed with incredible talent, but you've also got to sell yourself to the public.

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**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23)

WORKING independently boosts your self-esteem. You're starting to realise just how resourceful you really are. It may be best to keep your opinions to yourself between now and early May or you could unintentionally offend someone you need to befriend.

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**SCORPIO** (Oct 24-Nov 22)

YOU know what you want and you're going to go for it big time. Developing a creative project is another possibility. You're bound to hit some snags along the way, but the final result will be breathtaking. Don't let people put you off, they don't know how determined you can be.

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**PISCES** (Feb 20-Mar 20)

CONFRONTING a boss or expert will be a scary prospect, but an exhilarating one too. It's hard to argue with someone with your moral authority. You're embarking on an exciting new period, and need an updated image. Friends may be startled by this change.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Pisces** 09067-531763



**GEMINI** (May 22-Jun 22)

THE next two months bring a rare opportunity to increase your income. You cut through obstacles like a hot knife through butter. Don't let a powerful sexual attraction distract you from your goals. You need to focus on your dreams. A fresh career opportunity is coming your way.

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**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23)

WORKING with a group will be much more rewarding than going solo. Granted, you're among the most capable members of the team. That doesn't mean you can't benefit from the experience, though. A romance could be on the horizon so follow your instincts.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Virgo** 09067-531757



**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov 23-Dec 21)

A CHANCE to air family issues comes your way. It feels wonderful to get these feelings off your chest. You've never been the type to keep a polite silence. Be prepared for things to get ugly. Fortunately, you know it's better to be straightforward than maintain a pleasant façade.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Sagittarius** 09067-531760



**ARIES** (Mar 21-Apr 20)

THIS week finds you dividing time between home and work. If you've been thinking of moving, start looking now. Don't expect your boss to be happy about your request for time off to attend family responsibilities. Hold your ground, bigger and better chances will come.

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**CANCER** (Jun 23-Jul 23)

YOUR need to succeed drives everything you do this week. Unfortunately, this quest could drive a wedge between you and a loved one. Don't be so quick to cancel plans to make room for a business meeting. The chance to take a glamorous vacation could be on the cards.

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**LIBRA** (Sep 24-Oct 23)

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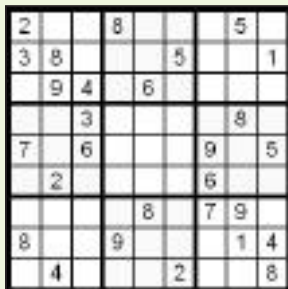
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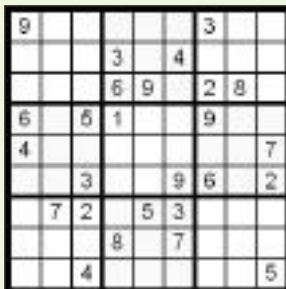
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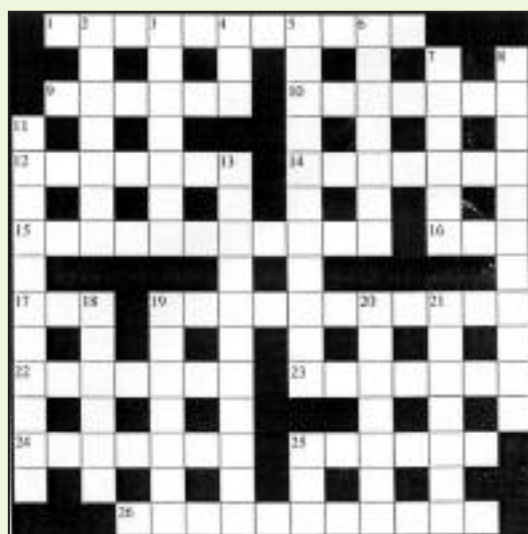
#### ACROSS

- 1 Order, order stop at temporary military headquarters (7,4)
- 9 Good man, getting on, presented the play (6)
- 10 Dam loyal (7)
- 12 Idle Bob somehow sought to influence officials (7)
- 14 I sing up and be heard when it is freezing (5,2)
- 15 Drunk producing revelry (11)
- 16 River Ebro eventually contained eggs (3)
- 17 World wide trap? (3)
- 19 Retraced one's steps returning over trail completed (11)
- 22 Rose, one walking in the country (7)
- 23 Firm is accepting meat or leather (7)
- 24 Short stockings on lady giving shout of praise (7)
- 25 Cape found in group on chorus line (6)
- 26 Preserving built-up area in London? (7,4)

#### DOWN

- 2 Just over four weeks, love, to be in credit (7)
- 3 Enlarge gown with middle removed provided during the month (7)
- 4 Incline to agree (3)
- 5 Being this, one is not very hopeful (11)
- 6 Has remarkable whistling sound whilst moulding (7)
- 7 Orange variety of ass! (6)
- 8 Crooked tender lady! (11)
- 11 By law mother could be culpable (11)
- 13 Being this one has no grave doubts presumably (4,7)
- 18 Provide inspiration for puzzle (6)
- 19 Be with one lady or another (7)
- 20 Opposed to Turkish commander this month (7)
- 21 Which person who has been informed has technical expertise? (4,3)
- 25 Bird enclosure (3)

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### QUICK CLUES

#### ACROSS

- 1 Moving forward (11)
- 9 Nude dash (6)
- 10 Optician (7)
- 12 Open gallery (7)
- 14 Escapes (4,3)
- 15 Bought back (11)
- 16 Zilch (3)
- 17 Son of Noah (3)
- 19 Protein in red blood cells (11)
- 22 Perceive (7)
- 23 Deviate (7)
- 24 Rodents (7)
- 25 Ghostly (6)
- 26 Dismissed summarily (4,7)

#### DOWN

- 2 Rodent catcher (3-4)
- 3 Enlarge (anag.) (7)
- 4 Moose (3)
- 5 Swedish-style buffet (11)
- 6 Jumped (7)
- 7 Repudiate (6)
- 8 Majesty (11)
- 11 More than expected (4,3,4)
- 13 Feat (11)
- 18 Unhappiness (6)
- 19 Brave lady (7)
- 20 Registration document (7)
- 21 Enter forcibly (5,2)
- 25 Ocean (3)

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

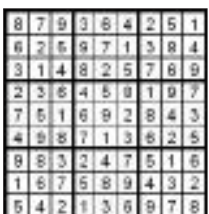
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**SPOT THE DIFFERENCE No 25:** 1) White brickwork missing 2) Man's T-shirt a different colour 3) Fog light gone from car 4) Words missing of shop's sign 5) Co-op hanging sign erased

### CRYPTIC SOLUTIONS No25

**ACROSS:** 1 Sandcastle 6 Epha 9 Raise 10 Love 11 Gnat 13 Classical writer 14 Notecase 16 Efflux 18 Shanty 19 Blast-off 22 Take exception to 24 Looe 25 Stir 26 Naomi 27 Rung 28 Chapelrest. **DOWN:** 1 Saracen 2 Naira 3 Cheesecutter 4 Solecism 5 Lively 7 Punctilio 8 Anthrax 12 Professional 15 Track down 17 Claptrap 18 Settler 20 Florist 21 Scotch 23 Niobe.

### QUICK SOLUTIONS No26

**ACROSS:** 1 Progressive 9 Streak 10 Outlook 12 Veranda 14 Gets out 15 Repurchased 22 Dipsy 24 Dormice 25 Spooky 26 Sent packing. **DOWN:** 2 Rat-trap 3 Cleaner 22 Dipsy 24 Dormice 25 Spooky 26 Sent packing. **Logbook** 21 Break in 25 Sea. Achievement 18 Misery 19 Heroine 20 8 Stateless 11 Over the odds 13 4 Elk 5 Smorgasbord 6 Vaulted 7 Disown.

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## Cruising tour is ice cool

BY LOUISE CAHILL

YOU might not imagine celebrated Italian film director Federico Fellini to be automatically associated with cruising – but the presence of the great man looms large on the giant 85,000-tonne Costa Atlantica superliner.

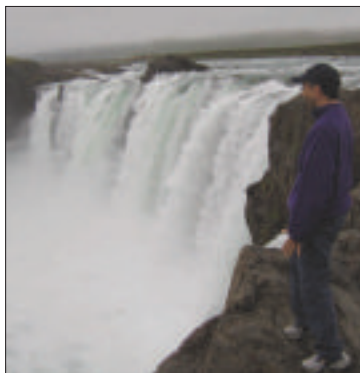
Our cabin was on Deck Eight And A Half, named after one of Fellini's most famous films. The deck directly below, Ginger and Fred, recalled a Fellini TV movie and other deck names inspired by his movies include La Strada, Roma and La Dolce Vita.

Once on board, the link begins to make sense, for the bold interior design of Costa Atlantica blends classical Italy with more contemporary ideas. The lobby space, spanning eight decks, feels a bit like a cathedral at sea.

The other eye-catching feature about Costa, which really moved into mainstream cruising when the founding Italian family sold out to Carnival and Airtours (the UK operator no longer with us) back in 1997, is the prices.

While Costa has dramatically upgraded the quality of its fleet, value for money remains a strong point and some of its cruise-only prices come in under £100 per day. Money saved is often splashed out on luxury spa facilities which are another Costa hallmark.

For our voyage to the Norwegian Fjords, we



**WINTER WONDERLAND:** Stunning water features are mixed in with volcanic landscapes and snow

found our own way to Amsterdam as an overnight stay in this delightful Dutch city made the ideal curtain-raiser to our voyage.

Ahead of us lay some ports with a rich nautical history – Bergen, Hellsylt, Geiranger, Alesund in Norway; Torshavn on the Faroes, Akureyri and Reykjavik in Iceland, even the remote Scottish ports of Lerwick and Invergordon – before Amsterdam again.

Although Costa claims to promote 'Cruising Italian Style', its passengers are drawn mainly from Western Europe. English is quite rarely heard and often squeezed out by Italians, Spaniards, French and Germans.

Although cabin space on board Costa Atlantica isn't vast, no fewer than 620 of its 999 cabins have private balconies. Dotted around a dozen decks, you'll also find three restaurants, 12 bars, a three-deck theatre, casino, disco and more. Not to mention three swimming pools (one with a retractable roof), a water-chute and four jacuzzis.

The itinerary was fascinating and included gorgeous Geiranger and a tour to the top of Mount Dalsnibba: the midnight sun was another attraction.

Despite her vast size, Atlantica navigated her way through some tight twists and turns in locations only usually heard of on weather warnings: Bailey, South East Iceland, Fair Isle and Faroes. The volcanic basalt of the Faroe Islands is thought to be 60 million years old. We docked at Torshavn, supposedly named after Thor, the Norse god of thunder.

The skies were certainly not something we were used to. During summer, it's traditional for the Faroes to climb a 2,500m mountain to experience sunset and sunrise with just an hour in between.

Iceland, first colonised by Irish monks in 870AD, is a joy of glacial activity, volcanoes and memories of Viking sagas. We were then thrilled by Dimmuborgir with its lava formations, followed by the geothermal field of hot springs at Hverir with its belching mud pools.

The price was worth it just for the sky near Surtsey, a volcanic island and the southernmost point of Iceland. Photographing the striped red and yellow display, I lingered on our balcony – it would have been an insult to the sky to sleep.

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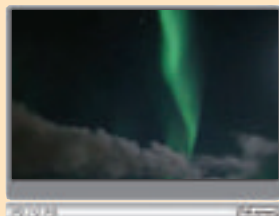
Time difference	As UK time
Currency	Krona (approx 130 to £1)
Capital	Reykjavik
Population	313,376
Language	Icelandic
Religion	National Church of Iceland
Climate	Cool temperate

## Holiday details

Louise Cahill was a guest of Costa Cruises, which offers a 13-night voyage from Amsterdam to Iceland and Norway's Fjords in June 2008 from £1,669, cruise-only full fare.

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# Uma finds her romantic side

■ BY KATE HODAL

FOR most women, finding and settling down with your one true love can be a soul-searching, life-long activity that you only hope ends in success.

But for Uma Thurman in her latest movie role, finding a husband is a bit like catching a bus: you spend forever waiting for the right one to show up, and then two arrive at once.

The Accidental Husband, Uma's latest foray into the world of rom-com, sees the 6ft beauty playing Dr Emma Lloyd, a pragmatic but uptight radio relationship expert and talk-show host who's engaged to the affable and ever-so-English Michael (Colin Firth) when she discovers that - on paper - she's already betrothed to some guy named Patrick.

While the so-called 'love doctor' might spend her days dispensing advice to the lonely and bewildered women of New York, when it comes to knowing what real love is, she does not have a clue.

After carelessly advising one caller to ditch her hubby-to-be, Emma finds herself the victim of a spurned and hot-headed fireman (played by Grey's Anatomy star Jeffrey Dean Morgan), who decides the only way to cure his broken heart is to hack into city records and make Emma already married - to him.

"Emma is at the height of her career and she's about to be married to a great guy," explains Uma, looking gorgeous in a black suit and plunging gold top for the London premiere of the film (which she rode to in a London fire engine).

"She thinks she has it all and then this 'accidental husband' comes in and wrecks everything. I just love the vulnerability of someone who thinks she knows everything and then gets taught the lesson of her life. And

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I could completely relate to her: super successful, sure of herself in practically every way, and clueless at the same time."

Uma spent the last 10 years developing this film, which she also produced, after finding that all the roles she was being offered were a bit ditzy (think The Truth About Cats and Dogs), a bit serious (remember Dangerous Liaisons?), or a bit too active (try Kill Bill).

"I loved everything about this script, from the title, to the set-up of the plot, to the dialogue. I saw it as the perfect way to express my sense of humour and I thought: I can do this - I'll just cast myself."

Uma's own love life has been in and out of the newspapers after her six-year marriage to her Gattaca co-star Ethan Hawke, with whom she has two children - Maya Ray, 9, and Levon



LOVE DOCTOR: Uma Thurman is back in rom-com role

Roan, 6, ended in 2004. Since then she's been linked to New York hotelier Andre Balazs and is now rumoured to be engaged to Elle Macpherson's former partner, French financier Arpad Busson.

While she may have felt some affinity with the romantic but confused 'love doctor', Uma downplays the importance of advice and finds it more important to make decisions for yourself.

"I don't think anyone takes advice," she says, sporting a mysterious blue-stoned ring on her wedding finger. "Everyone just needs to talk about their issues. They don't actually ever want to take advice, but it's a great launching point for gossip."



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## BIRTHS

### ALLEN

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### BAKER

Gabrielle and Andrew Baker of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their daughter Eva Elizabeth Baker on 16th February 2008.

### BAX

Lawson James born on 13th February 2008, weighing 8lb 10z. Son to Paul and Paula in Ramsgate, and brother to Olivia.

### CHAPPLE

Emi Chapple born on 19th February 2008, weighing 6lb 15oz. Daughter to Wayne Chapple and Leanne Smith.

### CLAMP

Brandon Harvey born on 12th February 2008, weighing 8lb 20z. Son to Dean and Joanne Clamp in Ramsgate.

### EDWARDS

Connor Robert born on 14th February 2008, weighing 10lb. Son to David and Kiley in Margate. A brother to Rose.

### GALE

Michelle and Paul Gale of Broadstairs celebrate the birth of their daughter Jessica Erin Gale on 25th January 2008. A sister for Aimee.

### GLOVER

Luke and Lindsay Glover of Margate celebrate the birth of

their son Bradley Chris Glover on 3rd February 2008.

### GREEN

Daniel Sean David born on 14th February 2008, weighing 8lb 20z. Son to Sean and Tracey in Ramsgate.

### HACKER

Gareth and Georgie Hacker of Crockham Hill are delighted to announce the birth of their baby son Albert John born 29th January 2008 weighing 8lb 0oz.

### HOLDAK

Elizabeth and James Holdak of Sevenoaks are delighted to announce the birth of their son Jude Llewellyn Holdak born 20th February 2008 weighing 8lb 12oz.

### HOPKINS

Alex Leslie Paul born on 16th February 2008, weighing 7lb 6oz. Son to John and Emma Hopkins of Maidstone.

### JARVIS

Nichola and Keith of Margate celebrate the birth of their son Oliver William Jarvis on 16th February 2008.

### LANE

Jennifer May born on 14th February 2008, weighing 6lb 12oz. Daughter to Helen Amos and Stephen Lane in Maidstone. Our special little angel.

### LOVE

Jane and Nigel are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Emily Rose on 7th February 2008 weighing 6lb 3oz.

### MERKAJ

Sajmir and Margaret of Canterbury are very proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Sienna, on 19th February 2008.

### MOORES

Brandon born 15th February 2008, weighing 7lb 5.2oz. Son to Claire and Rod in Margate Kent.

### MORRIS

Sam and Amanda Morris of Hunton are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Poppy Jane born 29th January 2008 weighing 7lb 15oz.

### MUNRO

Jennifer Summer born on 13th February weighing 8lb 4oz daughter to James and Noreen.

### NEWMAN

Martin and Paula are pleased to announce the birth of their son Oscar Reg, born on 13th February 2008, weighing 9lb.

### NUNN

David and Louise are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Emily Grace on 22nd January 2008 weighing 8lb 14oz

### NURHAKLI

Mia Nurhakli the beautiful daughter of Helen and Ilhan born on 28th January 2008, weighing 8lb 6oz.

### PALMER

Kenzie born on 19th February 2008 weighing 6lb 8oz. Son to Neil and Tanya in Margate.

### PALMER

James and Tanja of Sevenoaks are delighted to announce the arrival of Chloe on 16th February 2008 weighing 7lb 12oz and smiling.

### PRZETACZNIK

Mariusz and Anna are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Victoria Olivia on 10th February 2008 weighing 3220 grams.

### RATCLIFF

Bethany-Jo born on 12th February 2008, weighing 6lb 12oz. Daughter to Joanne and Shaun Ratcliff in Dover.

### RAWSON/CARLSON

Robert and Lisa of Canterbury are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Oscar David Rawson, on 11th February 2008.

### ROBINSON

Kevin and Nicola are pleased to announce the birth of their son Rhys Charlie, born on 18th February 2008 at the William Harvey Hospital, weighing 6lb 11oz.

### SKINNER

Charlie Thomas born on 24th February 2008 to proud parents Dave and Lisa of Tunbridge Wells.

### SMART

Jennifer and Neil are proud to announce that Aidan is now the big Brother of Sophia Rose Smart, born on 28th January 2008.

### SPURWAY

Barry and Angela are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Dorothy Abigail Spurway. A sister for Connor, Dorothy was born on the 16th February 2008 at 10.13pm and weighed 7lb 12oz.

### STONER

Leo Andrew born on 15th February 2008, weighing 7lb 10oz. Son to Gabriela and Michael in Broadstairs.

### STRONG

Layne & Katie (Collins) of Bromley are proud to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Amelia Grace on January

31st, weighing 7lb 6oz. First grandchild for Christine and Glenn of Broadstairs.

### TAYLOR

Wendy and Colin of Margate celebrate the birth of their daughter Melody Terri Katherine Taylor on 11th February 2008.

### WATTS

Ronnie James born on 13th February 2008, weighing 9lbs 5oz. Son to Jodie and Paul in Thanet.

### WILD

Jake Andrew Logan born to proud parents Ted and Robert of Sevenoaks on 13th February 2008 weighing 8lb 10oz.

### WILLIAMSON

Macey born on 10th February 2008, weighing 6lb 14oz. Daughter to Joanne Williamson and Richard Walton in Dover.

### WILSON

Jack Edmund born on the 12th February 2008, weighing 8lb 10oz. Son to Sophie of Folkestone.

### WILSON

Keira Wilson born on the 15th February 2008 weighing 7lb 10z. Daughter to Hannah and Scott Wilson in Dover.

### WOODS

Matthew and Jemma of Tunbridge Wells are pleased to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Millie Sarah Lilian on 21st February weighing 9lb 10oz. A sister for Kai, Emily, Jake and Billy.

## DEATHS

### ANDERSON

Kathleen Ellen Anderson of Eccles passed away peacefully at The Heart of Kent Hospice on 24th February 2008 at the age of 86.

### BLOOMFIELD

Brenda Bloomfield passed away on 23rd February 2008. Sadly missed by all and a much loved mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Night night God bless.

### BROWN

Paddy (Patricia Evelyn) of Canterbury died peacefully on 24th

February 2008. A service of thanksgiving will be held on Tuesday 4th March at 2.30 at St Dunstons Church, Canterbury. Donations to Pilgrims Hospice, Canterbury or R.N.L.I.

### BUCKINGHAM

Carole of Belting passed away 24th February 2008 after a long illness. Beloved wife of John Mother of Tony Tracey and Christina much loved Grandmother. Funeral service to be held 5th March at 3.20pm Barham Crematorium donations can be made to Cancer research UK web page on Caroles memorial page.

### DICKS

Margaret Elizabeth Macintyre passed away peacefully on 20th February 2008. Enquiries to Dilnot Smith Funeral Directors 01304 812300.

### HARRIS

Teresa Martin Harris of Herne Bay passed away suddenly, but peacefully, surrounded by her family on 25th February 2008. A loving mum and grandma who will be very sadly missed. A service will be held at St Marys Roman Catholic Church, Northwood Road, Tankerton at 10am on Monday 10th March followed by a cremation at Barham at 11.20am.

### HEATHFIELD

Beryl Lilian passed away peacefully on 24th February 2008. A wonderful wife, sister, Mother and Grandmother. She will be ever in our thoughts. Service of thanksgiving at St Lukes Tunbridge Wells Thursday 6th March 12.30pm. All welcome.

### HONE

John Richard Hone of Canterbury passed away suddenly on 24th February 2008. A beloved husband, loving father and much loved grandfather and great grandfather. He will be sadly missed by all and forever loved. The funeral is to be held on Wednesday March 5th at Barham Crematorium at 4pm.

### ENNER

Ted (Edward George) Jenner of Canterbury formerly of Newington, passed away after a long illness on 22nd February 2008. Ted will be very sadly missed by all of his family. Funeral to be held on 5th March at 1.15 at Newington Church and 2pm at Bobbing Crematorium. Family flowers only, but if desired donations to Lord Whiskey Animal Sanctuary C/o High.

### LENTON

Audrey passed away at the Kent and Sussex Hospital on 23 February. A dearly loved Mother and Grandmother who will be very sadly missed.

### LYONS

Pearl Lyons of Yalding died peacefully on the 20th February 2008. Funeral Service at Yalding Church at 11am on the 5th March 2008.

### MARRON

Brian Peter of Canterbury. Beloved husband of Linda and devoted father and grandad passed away peacefully after a long illness on 22nd February, aged 73. Donations to cancer charities in his honour greatly appreciated.

### McCOMBIE

John McCombie passed peacefully away on 21st February 2008 at Darent Valley Hospital. Much loved brother and uncle. Always in our thoughts. Enquiries to Horlocks Funeral Services Longfield.

### MOLONEY

John Moloney formally of Bexhill and Wadhurst, died peacefully on the 23rd February aged 90, after a short illness, happy to be reunited with his dear wife Ena.

### OVEREND

Freda Constance Joy of Margate died at Faversham Cottage Hospital on 26th February 2008. A loving aunt who will be sadly missed by all who knew her. The funeral is to be held on Friday 7th March at 12 noon at

Thanet Crematorium. Family flowers only but donations if desired to R.N.L.I.

### PAYNE

Mabel Payne passed away at the wonderful age of 92 (and a half!) on the 24th February 2008, following a very long and happy life. She will be very sadly missed by her family. Funeral enquiries to the Co-operative Gravesend.

### SKINNER

George Skinner of Maidstone died peacefully on 24th February 2008. Funeral Service at Vinters Park Crematorium at 11am on Wednesday 5th March.

### STEWART

Phyllis Stewart of Lenham passed away on 24th February 2008. Enquiries to A. W. Court at Grafty Green on 01622 850840.

### STUCKE

Robert Frank Stucke of Deal passed away peacefully at home on 20th February 2008. Beloved husband of Joyce, loving father of Nicholas, Lyn and Neil and much loved grandfather to Isabella, Minnie, Yuri, Darcy, Cory and Leigh. The funeral took place on Tuesday 26th February at Barham.

### TOOZE

John Austin Tooze of Maidstone, formerly of Bristol, passed away peacefully on 14th February 2008, aged 75. Contact Co-Op Funeral Services Bristol 01117 9556455.

### WHITE

Minnie Agnes 11.01.1922 to 17.02.2008 passed away peacefully at home in her sleep on the morning of the 17th. Mum we love you. Gone but never to be forgotten. Goodnight Sweetheart. Hazel, John, David, Elaine, Peter, Dawn, John and Jill and Families.

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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Remortgage figures on the increase

ABOUT half of all mortgage activity last month resulted from home-owners seeking remortgages, it has emerged following recent studies.

The figures will fuel concern of a slowdown in the housing market, particularly among first-time buyers.

Figures from the British Bankers' Association, drawing on data from all major UK banks, show an increase in both new mortgage approvals and remortgaging.

The study is the most extensive of its kind undertaken and widely regarded as a barometer for the housing market.

There was a 17 per cent rise in remortgages, with 79,016 home-owners refinancing their properties.

Remortgage activity now makes up 49 per cent of all activity, the highest proportion since the BBA began collecting data in 1997.

But mortgage approvals were still up on the month before, rising to 44,288.

BBA director of statistics David Dooks said: "Higher gross mortgage lending in January largely reflected very strong remortgaging activity, as borrowers sought out the best deals available."

### France and Spain lose out to Austria

AUSTRIA is gaining prominence as a destination for a second home because properties are often cheaper and easier to buy than in other European countries.

The central European state is gaining ground at the expense of more traditional areas such as France and Spain.

Also surging ahead in popularity are the emerging eastern European destinations of Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania and Slovenia.

Experts say the Austrian property market is experiencing a change as it moves away from providing for holidaymakers and enters the second-home market. Prices in the country have remained stable in recent years and the number of homes changing hands each year is relatively low.

However, new EU regulations have made mortgages more readily available, encouraging buyers from abroad.

Property prices in Austria are now rising at between six and seven per cent a year and the country has been included in the list of 20 best locations to secure positive returns by the BBC's A Place In The Sun show.

# Now's the time to snap up a bargain

■ BY NICK AMES

WHILE much of the UK recorded a monthly fall in new home prices in January, conditions could be ideal for bargain hunters.

According to property specialist Smart NewHomes.com, developer incentives and competitive prices mean now is an ideal time for new home buyers to secure a bargain ahead of anticipated price rises in the spring.

The South East and London remain the most expensive areas in which to buy, but property in Scotland is also increasing in value ahead of the rest of the country.

The new homes market typically suffers from a slow start to the year and the 0.5 per cent fall in average prices recorded in January is no cause for alarm, say experts.

However, while average prices over the last quarter have flattened, they are expected to pick up as more buyers return to the market with renewed confidence – fuelled by interest rate cuts expected over the coming months.

David Bexon, of SmartNewHomes.com, said: "Despite a slow start to the year, prices are likely to pick up as buyer confidence returns, fuelled in part by a series of further interest rate cuts which I would expect to see as early as March. However, the current dip in prices across the new homes market makes now an excellent time to buy."

Other experts do not share the optimism. Capital Economics, the consultancy led by one of the City's leading economists, Roger Bootle, has long been predicting that the UK house price boom will come to an end.

This past year, studies indicated that prices would rise by only 3.5 per cent, and as it turns out, they could be on target. But citing a slowing economy, expensive prices, stricter lending and more mortgage defaults, Capital Economics has revised predictions for 2008.

The consultancy's Ed Stansfield said: "We expect house prices to fall 5 per cent next year and a further 8 per cent in 2009, wiping out the gains of the last 18 months."

"The long-overdue housing market correction now appears to be under way."



BUYING: Mixed opinion on house prices sees some experts suggesting now is the time to buy, others are more cautious

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## MOTORS NEWS



### Jodi's Great Wall charity challenge

SERIOUS illness in her family sparked a charity challenge for Lipscomb sales administrator Jodi Sexton.

Based at the motor group's Chartham, Canterbury site, Jodi is raising funds for Children with Leukaemia by joining the Beijing Olympics Trek Open Challenge in August, trekking the Great Wall route in temperatures of 27-32 C.

Jodi's cousin Andrew was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia, which is why she chose the charity. Jodi is funding the trip herself so that all sponsorship goes to the charity. Pledges can be made via Jodi at Lipscomb at 0845 338 9902 or at [www.Bmycharity.com/jodischinatrek](http://www.Bmycharity.com/jodischinatrek).



### Skoda draws green line

SKODA has launched a version of its all-new Fabia supermini officially capable of averaging around 70mpg.

Kent commuters to London by road will also like the fact that CO2 emissions of just 109g/km of CO2 exempt it from the capital's congestion charge.

The 1.4 TDI Fabia GreenLine – £11,490 and £12,140 in hatch and estate form respectively – achieves this miserly feat through aerodynamic panels fitted beneath the chassis, replacement of the spare tyre with a puncture repair kit and raising the front bumper by 35mm.



### Lexus V8 is gunning for its German rivals

LEXUS wants to inject a more potent image into its Lexus IS compact executive saloon series, which tends to be overshadowed by German rivals.

Toyota's luxury arm has unveiled a potent V8 version due here in April and dubbed the IS-F in a clear effort to attack the BMW M3, Mercedes C55 AMG and Audi S4 performance flagships. Apart from a pronounced V8 'burb' the car will stand out with distinctive styling such as double vertically stacked twin exhausts.



**POWERFUL:** The VXR is certainly a muscular beast, but whether or not the boy racers it will appeal to can afford it is another matter entirely

# Crouching Sumo has finesse and power

IS the Corsa VXR a muscular athlete or muscle-bound lout?

A pumped-up bodykit and fat alloys suggest the latter, but a spell behind the wheel argues the former.

But is the question irrelevant when most of the turbocharged pocket rocket's fans are too young to afford to buy, run and insure it?

It might be a small hatchback, but it costs £15,625; enthusiastic use of its 189bhp and 0-60mph in less than seven seconds decimates the official 35.8mpg average; and the insurance is group 16.

Those who actually can afford to run such a car are likely to prefer something more grown-up or wearing a classier or trendier badge.

On the other hand, is it that the car's really a 'halo model' drawing attention to the overall Corsa line-up and especially, the cheaper and more civilized yet still racy Corsa SRi with VXR accoutrements?

Probably, but the VXR still deserves judgement on its own merits. It certainly looks the part with showy alloys and body kit, although the dumpy rear looks like a crouching sumo

## ROAD TEST

### VAUXHALL CORSA VXR

BY STEVE LOADER

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

wrestler with its wheel arch vents and diffuser. The interior is smart thanks to alloy highlights and fabulous Recaro front seats – these might not give much, but the contoured comfort is startling.

Climb past the Recaros – their wide shoulders make this harder than standard Corsa seats – and you also have enough rear space to imagine some young dads persuading 'er indoors that it really is a "good motor for the family, luv".

Couple this with decent ride quality and cruising refinement and the VXR is a hot hatchback that you really can live with on a long journey, yet it also 'walks the talk' to go with its looks.

The car has tenacious grip without unnecessarily hard suspension, plus good steering feedback and a tidy flat cornering stance.

The impressive engine power also feeds efficiently to the road without the steering wheel fight of the bigger Astra VXR, and links well with a well-spaced and slick six-speed gearbox.

Pumped up it might be, but the Corsa VXR is no lout.



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## USED CAR ROUND-UP: OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR

### FORD FOCUS ESTATE



FORD'S estate spin-off from the original futuristic Focus design was not the most convincing looker, but proved to be an effective load lugger with all the driving virtues of its sister. Secondhand bargain hunters will find plenty of engine and trim choice at affordable prices – many companies bought these to put reps and their samples on the road – but check for high mileage and abuse. If you can afford them, Focus Mk II estates make more elegant used buys.

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

### VAUXHALL MERIVA



IT has not enjoyed the new car sales success of its Zafira big brother, but used car buyers know the value of the Corsa-based Vauxhall Meriva. It's compact yet still has a higher driving position; it is also tall and capacious yet handles with car-like sure-footedness. Mix in a good range of engines and trim – including a scorching VXR version – and you start to see why this flexible five-door MPV is sought after on the used market.

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
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#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
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## AUDI

**A2**, SE 5dr, g020xu, climate control, alarm, remote central locking, power steering, electric front windows, electric mirrors, abs, twin air bags, radio cassette, uk specification, air supplied, 16" alloys, aluminium silver, 66400 miles, £3999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

**A3**, SE, ak02b0, central locking, immobiliser, air con, electric windows, power steering, abs, air bag, cd, colour coded body, electric mirrors, alcantara leather, stereo, metallic paintwork, rear wash/wipe, 17" alloys, blue, 52000 miles, £6999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

## BMW

**1 SERIES**, 120i SE, black, 2004, 32300 miles, manual, petrol, 5 doors, 3 previous owners, black, £10995, Drake and Fletcher Hyundai, Ashford, 0845 389 1214 (TRADE)

**3 SERIES**, 316i SE 1895cc 4 door, 2000, abs brakes air conditioning alloy wheels driver's airbag multiple airbags power steering immobiliser met silver, 107000 miles, £3995, Northdown Road Motor Company, Margate, 01843 290890 (TRADE)

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**C2**, 1.4i SX 3dr, 2007, 1.4i sx 3dr hatch, wicked red, 6354 miles, £7495, Masters Citroen, Penze, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

## DAEWOO

**DAEWOO NUBIRA** 4 door saloon, 06 2000, 1.6 p se mot july 06, 0 miles, £3500, Beaver Commercial, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

**LACETTI**, SX 1.6, 25637, finished in mint green with black interior manual, black, 0 miles, £4995, Ceffrys Tunbridge Wells Vauxhall, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

**LANOS**, 1.4 S Hatchback 3d 1349cc, w583vfm, new mot very clean cheap tax & insurance, green, 33935 miles, £1495.00, DCD Autos, ASHFORD, 01233 642211 (TRADE)

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**FOCUS**, 1.8 Zetec, 1999, insurance group 6 2 owners service history immobiliser drivers airbag power steering moonroof silver, 64000 miles, £3289, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

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**COUPE**, S, half leather, immobiliser, central locking, remote central locking, power steering, cd player, stereo, anti-theft system, 17" alloys, aluminium silver, 12000 miles, £3999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

**COUPE** 2.0, SE, 2002, silver, 129941 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

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**CARENS**, 16v Cdi Auto, hk54 eb, front fog lamps, remote central locking, alarm, full leather, centre armrest, electric windows, electric mirrors, air con, twin air bags, abs, power steering, cd player, radio, silver, 8500 miles, £3995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

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**DEFENDER**, 110 TDi County Station Wagon, 10846054, alarm, cloth upholstery, tow pack, sunroof, radio cassette, power steering, metallic paintwork, rear wash/wipe, alloy wheels, 4x4, road tax i s£180 per year on this vehicle, eposm metallic green, 68000 miles, £12995, Diesel Centre, Staplehurst, 01580 890333 (TRADE)

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**A CLASS**, A140 Elegance Auto, 2000, insurance group 6 abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels drivers airbag electrodor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cassette rear electric windows remote central locking service indicator side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment service history, volcano red, 16000 miles, £4689, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

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**MGF**, F Vw Sports, bd51svy, full leather, power steering, air bag, immobiliser, central locking, head restraints, colour coded body, metallic paintwork, electric windows, cd player, stereo, uk specification, 16" alloys, green, 90000 miles, £4299, Marshams, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

## MINI

**COOPER**, Pepper 1.6 Auto, 2003, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: automatic no. of doors: 3, pearl black, 36000 miles, £10495, Palm Bay Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

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37 hrs per week, salary starting from £16,364 per annum  
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### Pre 16 Learning Support

25 hrs per week, 38 weeks term time.  
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Fixed term post ending 31 August 2010  
Post Ref: 07/17/KOS

### Trainer Demonstrator Sport & Leisure

9.25 hrs per week, salary starting from £18,375 pro rata per annum  
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### Learning Support - Basic Skills & ESOL

18.5 hrs per week, 38 weeks term time.  
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### Supply NVQ Assessors required in the following areas:

Various hours available, salary range £17,727 - £25,418 pro rata per annum  
**Early Years**  
Post Ref: NVQ/EY/KOS

### Play work

Post Ref: NVQ/PW/KOS

### Supply Recreation Assistant

Various hours available, salary starting from £14,535 pro rata per annum  
Post Ref: S/RA/KOS

For an application pack please visit [www.cant-col.ac.uk](http://www.cant-col.ac.uk) or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone) quoting the post reference.

The closing date for the above posts is Monday 17 March at 12 noon.

### Staff benefits include:

- Pensions and Life Assurance Scheme
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This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any offer of appointment for post is subject to a satisfactory Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure.

Closing Date: 14th March 2008

For further details and a job description, please contact  
Linda Taylor, Business Manager, Abbey Court School,  
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Closing date: 14th March 2008 at 12 noon  
Interview date: 4th April 2008 in Faversham  
If you would like to discuss this post further please call Linda Ranger on 01227 781 297

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## MEDWAY TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES



### PRIMARY SCHOOLS

#### Teacher

#### Cliffe Woods Primary School

KS 2  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full time and permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 10 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mr Tim Watson  
Cliffe Woods Primary School  
View Road, Cliffe Woods  
Rochester  
Kent ME3 8UJ  
Telephone - (01634) 220822  
Email [headteacher@cliffewoods.medway.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@cliffewoods.medway.sch.uk)

#### Cliffe Woods Primary School

KS 2  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full time and temporary  
Term of contract: 2 terms  
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Closing Date: 14 March 2008

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Mr Tim Watson  
Cliffe Woods Primary School  
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#### Barnsole Junior School

Two KS2 Teachers  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full time and temporary  
Term of contract: 1 year  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 7 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

School Office  
Barnsole Junior School  
Barnsole Road  
Gillingham  
Kent ME7 2JG  
Telephone - (01634) 852983  
Email [office@barnsole-jun.medway.sch.uk](mailto:office@barnsole-jun.medway.sch.uk)

#### Stoke Community School

KS 2  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full time and temporary  
Term of contract: 2 terms  
Required From: 21 April 2008  
Closing Date: 20 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mrs Carolyn Cassettari  
Stoke Community School  
Lower Stoke, Rochester  
Kent ME3 9SL  
Telephone - (01634) 270268  
Email [headteacher@stoke.medway.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@stoke.medway.sch.uk)

#### Twydall Infant School

Year 1  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full time and permanent  
Required From: 21 April 2008  
Closing Date: 25 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mrs S Fedosiuik, Headteacher  
Twydall Infant School  
Twydall Lane  
Gillingham  
Kent ME8 6JS  
Telephone - (01634) 231761  
Email [headteacher@twydallinf.medway.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@twydallinf.medway.sch.uk)

#### Headteacher

#### Maundene School

Job Ref: EDT 990  
Full Time and Permanent  
Salary: £20-£26 £55,782-£64,611  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 14 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Sue Bowers  
Medway Council  
HR (Schools), Civic Centre  
Strood  
Kent ME2 4AU  
Telephone - (01634) 331100  
Email [vacancies@medway.gov.uk](mailto:vacancies@medway.gov.uk)

### SEN

#### Elaine Primary (Chalklands Opportunity Centre)

SEN  
Salary: MPS/UPS + 2 SEN allowance  
Part time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 29 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Lynne Garnham, Headteacher  
Elaine Primary School  
Elaine Avenue  
Strood  
Rochester  
Kent ME2 2YN  
Telephone - (01634) 718057  
Fax - 01634 290191  
Email [headteacher@elaine.medway.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@elaine.medway.sch.uk)

### Deputy Headteacher

#### Fairview Community Primary

Salary: LS 10 - 14 £43656-£48138  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 14 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Fairview Community Primary  
School  
Debbie Willis, Headteacher  
Drewery Drive, Wigmore  
Gillingham  
Kent ME8 0NU  
Telephone - (01634) 338710  
Email [headteacher@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk)

### Assistant Headteacher

#### Walderslade Primary School

Salary: LS 3 - 7 £36,708 - £40,590  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 20 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mrs A Milne, Headteacher  
Walderslade Primary School  
Dargats Road, Walderslade  
Chatham  
Kent ME8 8BJ  
Telephone - (01634) 861660  
Email [headteacher@walderslade-pri.medway.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@walderslade-pri.medway.sch.uk)

### SECONDARY SCHOOLS

#### Teacher

#### Chatham Grammar School for Girls

RE  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 7 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Emma Chilmald  
Chatham Grammar School for Girls  
Chatham  
Kent ME5 7EH  
Telephone - (01634) 851262  
Fax - 01634 571928  
Email [chile001@medway.org.uk](mailto:chile001@medway.org.uk)

#### Rainham School For Girls

Mathematics Teachers  
Full Time and Permanent  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 10 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mrs D Francis, Personnel Officer  
Rainham School For Girls  
Derwent Way  
Rainham  
Gillingham  
Kent ME8 0BX  
Telephone - (01634) 362746  
Fax - 01634 388334  
Email [dfrancis@rsg.org.uk](mailto:dfrancis@rsg.org.uk)

#### Chatham Grammar School for Girls

Latin  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 14 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Emma Chilmald  
Chatham Grammar School for Girls  
Rainham Road  
Chatham  
Kent ME5 7EH  
Telephone - (01634) 851262  
Fax - 01634 571928  
Email [chile001@medway.org.uk](mailto:chile001@medway.org.uk)

#### Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School

History  
Full Time and permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 12 March

#### To apply/more information

Ms Jacqueline Harrison  
Sir Joseph Williamson's  
Mathematical School  
Maidstone Road  
Rochester  
Kent ME1 3EL  
Telephone - (01634) 844008  
Email [harrisonj@sirjosephwilliamson.medway.sch.uk](mailto:harrisonj@sirjosephwilliamson.medway.sch.uk)

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German/Spanish  
Full Time and permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
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#### Chatham South School

English  
Full Time and permanent  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 14 March

#### To apply/more information

Mrs M Chipperfield  
Office Manager  
Chatham South School  
Letchworth Avenue  
Chatham  
Kent ME4 6NT  
Telephone - (01634) 404277  
Email [chippm002@medway.org.uk](mailto:chippm002@medway.org.uk)

#### Rainham Mark Grammar School

MFL Spanish/French  
Full Time and permanent  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 13 March

#### To apply/more information

School office  
Rainham Mark Grammar School  
Pump Lane  
Gillingham  
Kent ME8 7AJ  
Telephone - (01634) 364151  
Email [office@rainhammark.medway.sch.uk](mailto:office@rainhammark.medway.sch.uk)

#### Graduate Teacher

#### Programme

#### Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School

Graduate Trainee - Science  
Full Time and Fixed Term  
Contract: 1 Year  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 10 March

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Rochester  
Kent ME1 3EL  
Telephone - (01634) 844008  
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#### Head of Department

#### Greenacre School

Subject Leader in English  
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR 1b (£9,981)  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 10 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mr A J Reese, Headteacher  
Greenacre School  
(A Specialist Sports College)  
Bradfields Avenue, Chatham  
Kent ME5 0LE  
Telephone - (01634) 861593  
Fax - 01634 869246  
Email [office@greenacre.medway.sch.uk](mailto:office@greenacre.medway.sch.uk)

#### Chatham South

ICT  
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR c  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 14 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mrs M Chipperfield  
Office Manager  
Chatham South  
Letchworth Avenue  
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Kent ME4 6NT  
Phone: 01634 404277  
Fax - 01634 869246  
Email [headteacher@chathamssouth.medway.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@chathamssouth.medway.sch.uk)

### SPECIAL SCHOOLS

#### Rivermead

General Subjects  
Salary: MPS/UPS + SEN Allowance £1816  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 14 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mrs Karen Watkin, Office Manager  
Rivermead, Forge Lane  
Gillingham  
Kent ME7 1UG  
Telephone - (01634) 338348  
Email [office@rivermead.medway.sch.uk](mailto:office@rivermead.medway.sch.uk)

#### Abbey Court Community Special School

SEN  
Salary: MPS/UPS + 2 SEN points  
Full Time and temporary  
Required From: 21 April 2008  
Closing date: 14 March 2008

#### To apply/more information

Linda Taylor, Business Manager  
Abbey Court School  
Rede Court Road  
Rochester  
Kent ME2 3SP  
Telephone - (01634) 338224  
Email [office@abbeycourt.med.sch.uk](mailto:office@abbeycourt.med.sch.uk)

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**£38,404 - £40,962 per annum –  
37 hours per week – All Year Round**

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To meet this challenge, the successful candidate will have a recognised management qualification, ideally with at least three years' experience in middle management. In addition, they will have:

- A proven track record of leadership, and the ability to be a leading member of a Senior Management Team
- Sound experience of financial management and budgetary planning and control
- Knowledge of human resources management
- An ability to identify, research, develop, cost and implement new initiatives
- Knowledge of change management and project management
- Experience of IT networks and applications
- A high level of oral and written communication skills.

Relocation expenses may be available.

For an application form and information pack please call  
01843 862123 during normal office hours (9a.m. to 5p.m. Mon to Fri),  
or email [personnel@bradstow.wardsworth.sch.uk](mailto:personnel@bradstow.wardsworth.sch.uk).

Please note that CVs will not be considered.

Applications should be received no later than  
12 noon, Friday 7th March 2008.

**Selection events will take place on 25th March and 1st April 2008**





**Rainham School for Girls**  
(A Specialist Technology College & Training School)  
Derwent Way, Rainham, Gillingham, Kent ME8 0BX. Tel: 01634 362 746  
(NOR 1500) Head Teacher: Mrs J Dunn

**Mathematics Teachers required for September 2008**  
Applications welcome from experienced teachers and NQTs

Rainham School for Girls is a popular and successful non-selective 11-19 school offering excellent opportunities for enthusiastic and ambitious applicants to contribute to its continuing development. The school has Investors in People status.

Relocation expenses (up to £1000) are available to all applicants.

Any offer of employment for this post will be subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Criminal Record Bureau Disclosure.

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Application forms and further details are available from Mrs D Francis, Personnel Officer at the School. Tel: 01634 362746, Fax: 01634 388334. email: [dfrancis@rsg.org.uk](mailto:dfrancis@rsg.org.uk)

**Closing date: 10th March 2008**

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**Lecturer in Health, Social & Childcare Programmes** Ref: P0063  
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The post-holder will be involved in the delivery and teaching of Health, Social & Childcare from foundation to level 3, Ed excel/CACHE programmes. The successful candidate will have proven knowledge and experience within either Health, Social Care or Childcare environments. The department will also consider applications for candidates who are interested in hourly paid or part-time teaching. Please note the closing date for this post is Friday, 10 March 2008.

**Marketing & Communications Officer** Ref: P0610  
**Support Grade F: £23,669 - £30,027**

You'll be responsible for managing all the College's internal and external communications, including writing and editing the weekly staff newsletter, press releases, and maintaining the relevant areas of the College website. Additional duties will include writing copy for advertising campaigns in a variety of media and performing other marketing activities as required.

You should be educated to HND/degree level, with excellent verbal and written communication skills and have the ability to work flexibly - often under pressure to meet tight deadlines. Experience in a similar role would be an advantage. Ability to travel between sites is essential.

### Assistant Accountants

In order to strengthen the central Finance team and support the College as it progresses through a period of radical change, we are aiming to make three appointments:

**Post 1 - Circa £15,000 + training package** Ref: P0605

The successful candidate will work as part of the Credit Control team and will have ACCA/CIMA level 1 qualification or equivalent (e.g. AAT)

**Post 2 - Circa £20,000 + training package** Ref: P0606

The post-holder will work with the Financial Management team and will be a part-qualified accountant.

**Post 3 - Circa £25,000 + training package** Ref: P0607

Working with the Financial Management team you will have either recently qualified or be at the finalist stage of your qualification.

All applicants will need to be able to demonstrate recent and relevant knowledge and experience in finance and a good understanding of computerised systems. In return you will be expected to complete a full ACCA or CIMA accounting qualification within a specified timeframe.

**Work Placement Co-ordinator (Term-Time)** Ref: P0509  
**Support Grade C: £16,199 - £20,324 pro-rata**

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**College Information Services Assistant** Ref: P0615  
**(Fixed-Term to July 2009 15hrs per week)**  
**Support Grade A: £11,599 - £16,199 pro-rata**

The post will provide assistance to the existing CIS team in auditing information systems. Ideally, the successful candidate will have 5 GCSEs at Grade A\* - C or equivalent, including English and Mathematics. The department will also consider applications for candidates who are interested in term-time only working.

**Technician in Hair Design** Ref: P0044  
**(Part-Time 18.5 hours per week)**  
**Support Grade A: £11,599 - £16,199 pro-rata**

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**Support Grade B: £15,057 - £18,534**

As a member of Construction Crafts team you will undertake all support duties associated with craft workshops as directed by teaching or instructing staff. You will have experience working in a relevant occupation and be able to demonstrate good organisational skills.

**Administration Assistant/DSA (Rochester & Maidstone)** Ref: P0534  
**(Part-Time 18 hours per week)**  
**Support Grade A: £11,599 - £16,199**

You will provide efficient and effective day-to-day administrative support and assistance to at least one department. You will have excellent administrative skills and experience using Microsoft Office applications. The successful applicant will be based at either our Rochester or Maidstone Campus therefore please state your preferred site on your application.

**Sessional/Hourly Paid Facilitators** Ref: HPS  
**Basic Hourly Rate: £8.93 (£9.98 including holiday component)**

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**Apprentice in Administration (1 year Fixed-Term Contract)** Ref: P0594  
**Grade A: based on percentage of £9,631**

As a member of the Business Development Team you will provide administration support to College stakeholders. The successful candidate will develop competencies to meet NVQ Level 2 Standards of performance.

All posts are full-time (37 hours per week) unless otherwise stated. The benefits of joining Mid-Kent College include generous annual leave, final salary pension scheme, flexible working and on-site gym.

All posts are subject to an Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure.

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**Lecturer in Health, Social & Childcare Programmes** Ref: P0063  
**Lecturer Grade B: £25,092 - £28,719**

The post-holder will be involved in the delivery and teaching of Health, Social & Childcare from foundation to level 3, Ed excel/CACHE programmes. The successful candidate will have proven knowledge and experience within either Health, Social Care or Childcare environments. The department will also consider applications for candidates who are interested in hourly paid or part-time teaching. Please note the closing date for this post is Friday, 10 March 2008.

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**Marketing & Communications Officer** Ref: P0610  
**Support Grade F: £23,669 - £30,027**

You'll be responsible for managing all the College's internal and external communications, including writing and editing the weekly staff newsletter, press releases, and maintaining the relevant areas of the College website. Additional duties will include writing copy for advertising campaigns in a variety of media and performing other marketing activities as required.

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**Assistant Accountants**

In order to strengthen the central Finance team and support the College as it progresses through a period of radical change, we are aiming to make three appointments:

**Post 1 - Circa £15,000 + training package** Ref: P0605

The successful candidate will work as part of the Credit Control team and will have ACCA/CIMA level 1 qualification or equivalent (e.g. AAT)

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The post-holder will work with the Financial Management team and will be a part-qualified accountant.

**Post 3 - Circa £25,000 + training package** Ref: P0607

Working with the Financial Management team you will have either recently qualified or be at the finalist stage of your qualification.

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### REF: 470 - SCRIPTBASE/PHARMACY LIAISON WORKER - ASHFORD

Salary £16,217 - £18,430 (SCP 17-21) - 37 hours per week

This is an administrative/PR role which requires a high degree of accuracy and meticulousness as you will be responsible for providing a high quality management of all aspects of the prescription database. In addition you will provide an efficient and professional liaison service between the medical staff, keyworkers and pharmacists participating in the work of the Prescribing Service.

You will need to have good secretarial skills with experience of word processing using Word for Windows, good database experience and excellent communication skills. An ability to remain calm under pressure would be a great advantage.

If you would like more information about the post please call Mayur Derodra on 01622 690944.

Closing date: Friday 14th March 2008 at 5.00 pm  
Interview date: Wednesday 2nd April 2008

### REF: 472 - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - DAY PROGRAMMES - CANTERBURY

Salary: £16,217 - £18,430 (SCP 17 - 21) pro rata - 15 hours per week (9.30 am - 1.30 pm Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri)

As a key member of the Administration Team you will be required to provide efficient and high quality administrative support to the multi-disciplinary staff team and Service Manager at KCA Day Programmes in Canterbury.

You should have sound typing skills combined with a good knowledge in using computer applications, and have the ability to input data accurately. You will also be confident in communicating with a wide cross-section of staff, external contacts and service users alike. We are looking for someone who enjoys working within a busy, often demanding environment, has the ability to prioritise, and can work on their own to tight deadlines. Experience of developing and maintaining efficient office systems and supporting a Service Manager with multiple bases would be an advantage.

If you would like to discuss this post further, please contact Linda Ranger, (Service Manager Day Programmes) on 01227 781297 or Christine Gordon (Admin Lead) on 01795 590795.

Closing date: Friday 7th March 2008 at 5:00 pm  
Interview date: Friday 14th March 2008

For application forms please contact Dan House, 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT, Telephone 01795 590635, Fax 01795 539351, Email marina@kca.org.uk, website www.kca.org.uk

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Closing date for applications: Friday 19th March 2008.

Interview dates: Wednesday 2nd April and Thursday 17th April 2008.

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### Finance Manager

Starting salary £57,507, with progression through contribution related pay to £67,081 per annum  
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You will show strong leadership skills and the ability to motivate and manage excellence in others. You will also be committed, flexible and show a natural affinity for team working. Ref: CFE/o8/0048.

Closing date: midday, 7 March 2008.

### Clerking Agency Manager

Starting salary £19,572 with progression through contribution related pay to £22,268 pro rata  
Term Time only - hours are negotiable to the right candidate.

Office based in Maidstone, The ability to travel to all parts of the county will be required

It will be your responsibility to oversee our countywide clerking service - making sure that it runs as efficiently and effectively as possible ensuring we are meeting all the standards in our service level agreements. You will co-ordinate recruitment, manage staff deployment, promote the service and contribute to its development and growth.

Along with an NVQ3 (or equivalent) qualification in Business Administration or Management, and a good knowledge of governing body procedures you will also be an experienced clerk to a governing body. Couple this with strong ICT skills, a confident approach, a flair for managing conflicting priorities and a willingness to undertake some of your hours during the evenings; this could be the beginning of a rewarding career. Ref: CFE/o8/0062

Closing date: midday, 10 March 2008.

The Alternative Curriculum Co-ordinator in Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley have the following vacancies to work part-time.

### Personal Assistant to the Alternative Curriculum Co-ordinator

Starting salary £16,221 with progression through contribution related pay to £17,842 pro rata  
18.5 hours per week  
Joynes House, Gravesend

You will be supporting this management post within the Children's Services Clusters in the area. The co-ordinator is a KCC Manager responsible for placing 'hard to place' children in education provision. You will ideally be able to provide evidence of the ability to work effectively in such a supporting role; this includes dealing with parents, other Children's Services agencies and schools but not directly with young people. Ref: CFE/o8/0061

### Teaching Assistant

Starting salary £13,619 with progression through contribution related pay to £15,440 pro rata  
20 Hours per week Term Time only  
Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley

You will be supporting disengaged and disaffected KS4 students in the area.

You will have to provide evidence of effective working with disengaged KS4 students and have a proven commitment to curriculum innovation. Ref: CFE/o8/0059

The above two posts are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For an informal discussion about the above 2 posts, please contact Joanne Kendall on 01474 544582.

Closing date for the above two posts: midday, 6 March 2008.

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**Main duties include:**

- Co-ordinate completion and distribution of monthly management accounts.
- Responsible for the accurate completion of monthly P&L expenditure analysis.
- Assist in completion of the year end accounting pack.
- Accurate processing of supplier invoices and employee expenses.
- Ensure that all processing is completed in time for month end.
- Reconcile company bank accounts regularly.
- Assist with the development of new computer accounting systems.

**CLOSING DATE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS: 15/3/08**

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## Shepway and Ashford 14-19 Planning Forum Strategic Co-ordinator

**Salary** £50,000+ pa  
(Leadership spine 16-20 or Soulbury equivalent)

**Location** Kent, South East

**Contract Type** 2 year fixed term in the first instance

Kent's 14-19 Partnership is managed jointly by Kent County Council, the Learning and Skills Council and Connexions Kent and Medway, together with education providers including schools, FE Colleges, Higher Education Institutions and Work Based Learning Providers. This partnership operates at local level through 9 Planning Forums, two of which cover the areas of Ashford and Shepway.

Each Planning Forum is responsible for driving forward the government's 14-19 reforms to encourage more young people to continue learning for longer and gain the skills and qualifications they need to progress into further education or employment. Central to the reforms are the 14-19 Diplomas which the Strategic Co-ordinator will play a pivotal role in. The primary focus at this stage is delivery of Diplomas but in due course the Co-ordinator will be the driving force behind the planning forums to ensure an appropriate range of provision is available for all young people in the Shepway and Ashford areas to meet the national 14-19 entitlement.

We are seeking to appoint a committed, innovative and motivated individual. You will be able to demonstrate excellent leadership skills, have good project management skills and successful experience of working in partnership with multiple organisations. Applicants must have knowledge and understanding of 14-19 developments nationally and locally, excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work independently. The work will be based between Shepway and Ashford, flexibility and willingness to travel is essential.

To obtain a full job description please email [Katherine.daynes@lsc.gov.uk](mailto:Katherine.daynes@lsc.gov.uk) or telephone 0845 019 4152.

The closing date for applications is Monday 24th March 2008 at 12 noon. Interviews will be held during April 2008.

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### Curriculum Manager 0.6fte Ref: COM0907L

Sector 8, Leisure, Travel and Tourism. LNFA scale point 4 – 15. Salary £19,847 – £31,954 pro rata.

You responsibilities will include developing and reviewing an exciting and innovative programme of courses to meet current needs of Medway residents and monitoring delivery to ensure that targets are met and effective quality improvement is implemented.

Applicants should have substantial teaching experience and qualified teaching status. A good knowledge of quality standards in adult learning is required, together with relevant management experience.

For an informal discussion relating to job ref. COM0906L, please contact Sohini Patel on 01634 338343 or email [sohini.patel@medway.gov.uk](mailto:sohini.patel@medway.gov.uk)

For an informal discussion relating to job ref. COM0907L, please contact Hanife Dacosta on 01634 338456 or email [hanife.dacosta@medway.gov.uk](mailto:hanife.dacosta@medway.gov.uk)

### Learning Support Assistant – Skills for Life: Literacy and Numeracy. Two Posts. Ref: COM0910L

Grade D2 (NIC points 12–21). Salary £14,492 – £18,430 pro rata. Two hours per week.

Applicants must have a good general education including GCSE English and Maths or equivalent, and C&G Level 2 certificate in Adult Learner Support, or equivalent.

For an informal discussion, please contact Chris Osborne on 01634 338423.

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### Course Leader for Trinity Cert TESOL

Ref: COM0911E

LNFA scale point 4–8. Salary £19,847 – £24,254 pro rata. 200 hours per annum (minimum).

Applicants should hold, as a minimum, a DTEFLA/DELTA or a PGCE in TEFL, or equivalent.

For informal discussion, please contact Lindsay Perrin on 01634 338458.

### Part-time Sessional Tutors. Two Posts:

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### Skills for Life ESOL (FLLN) Ref: COM0912E

You will deliver ESOL to parents and carers and both young and school-aged children, focusing on family and school life.

All applicants must have a teaching qualification and Level 4 ESOL subject specialism or be currently working towards their Level 4.

### Skills for Life: Numeracy Ref: COM0913E

Applicants must have a teaching qualification and Level 4 subject specialism, or be working towards one.

### Other Sessional Tutor Vacancies Ref: COM0914E

Turkish, AutoCad, RYA Dayskipper, Golf, Singing, Keyboarding, Yoga, Exercise/Keepfit for the elderly.

All applicants must hold a suitable teaching qualification.

For an informal discussion about the above posts, please contact Chris Osborne on 01634 338423 or Email: [christine.osborne@medway.gov.uk](mailto:christine.osborne@medway.gov.uk)

Any offer of appointment for any of these positions will be subject to a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure.

Closing date for all vacancies: 7 March, 2008.

#### To apply for the positions above

write to **Chris Osborne, Medway Adult Learning Service, Rochester Centre, Eastgate, Rochester, Kent ME1 1EW.**

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A detailed job description is available on request.

You must be confident, extremely organised in your work and capable of working to demanding deadlines. Attention to detail whilst managing conflicting priorities will be essential; a telesales background would be useful.

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Ref: CFE/08/0056

For an informal discussion please contact Caroline Pitt, Workforce Development Manager on 01622 203800 or email: caroline.pitt@kent.gov.uk

Closing date: midday, 13 March 2008.

Interview date: 25 March 2008.

Sure Start Children's Centres are at the heart of the Government's strategy to give every child the very best start in life. Currently, there are 20 Sure Start Children's Centres across Kent, offering children under five and their families access to services and support that includes high-quality early education and day care, family support and health services, training and job information.

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We are now looking for highly motivated people who can contribute to making a positive impact for children, families and their communities.

## Children's Centre Manager

Starting salary £29,190, with progression through contribution related pay to £34,507 per annum

For this post, you will need to lead an integrated team to work in partnership with parents and carers and a range of partners and organisations across Kent to meet the specific needs of children under five and their families. With a degree, or equivalent qualification in health, social work, education, community work, childcare or a similar field, you must be able to lead a multi-agency service, demonstrating excellent interpersonal and communication skills.

You will also have the National Professional Qualification in Integrated Centre Leadership or be willing to work towards this qualification.

Tonbridge Ref: CFE/08/0070

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Tonbridge Ref: CFE/08/0071

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To find out more please contact Dion Darley on 01622 626761 or email: dion.darley@kent.gov.uk

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Closing date: midday, 7th March 2008.

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Closing date:  
Monday 10th March 2008



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All Saints Sure Start Children's Centre has the following vacancies based at our centre in Magpie Hall Road, Chatham.

## Building Operations Manager Ref: CS08995

Grade C2. Salary £18,907 - £25,320

37 hours per week.

With responsibility for everything from health, safety and security to repairs, maintenance and cleaning - you will ensure that our building and grounds are a safe and pleasant place for our staff and the 700+ visitors that use the centre every week. With a team of administrative staff and caretakers, you will maintain the high quality of support services that everyone has come to expect at our busy centre. Previous experience of managing buildings and staff is essential, as is a flexible and innovative style.

## Catering Assistant - Healthy Eating Community Café Ref: CS09005

Grade D1. Salary £12,291 - £15,842

37 hours per week.

You will be involved with the day-to-day running of the café, including preparing and cooking food, stock control and serving. Other duties will include handling cash and cleaning the café and kitchen areas. You will also help provide meals to our on-site, full day-care facility and prepare and deliver refreshment orders to the rest of the centre. Previous experience of working in catering required.

## Administrative Assistant Ref: CS09015

Grade D1. Salary £12,291 - £15,842

37 hours per week.

As part of a small and busy administrative team, you will undertake varied duties to support staff in the centre. These will range from reception work and taking notes at meetings to filing and maintaining office systems. Good customer service skills and administrative experience are essential.

Any offer of appointment will be subject to a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure.

For more information on any of these posts, please contact the centre on 01634 338833.

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Please contact Mrs Gill Taylor, our Initial Teacher Coordinator, for an informal chat about this opportunity and for further details.

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Closing Date Monday 17 March.



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Interview date: 10 April 2008.

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Ref: RAD6/AHP/77.

Closing date: 17 March 2008.

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Closing date for applications - 20th March 2008

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Closing date for applications - 17th March 2008

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Closing date for applications - 17th March 2008

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### Mums and dads fail to make most of vouchers

THOUSANDS of parents working for small businesses in Kent are missing out on financial help which could save them more than £1,000 a year.

Research by Childcare Choice showed that only one in 100 working parents employed by small or medium-sized enterprises have signed up for the Government's childcare vouchers.

Most mums and dads who pay for childcare are entitled to savings of up to £1,195 a year.

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# Car benefit changes fuel firms to rethink



**BUSINESSES** in the county offering company car and fuel benefits to staff need to urgently evaluate their current policy before April, according to a leading firm of chartered accountants.

The Pre-Budget Report shake-up of employee car fuel benefit will take effect from April 6, which could see some people's company car tax rise by nearly a quarter.

But wise employees should ensure sensible management of their tax allowance and experts can advise the best way to maximise benefits.

To avoid the tax increases bosses need to look at only providing company cars for part of the year and giving staff a mileage allowance

■ BY JON COATES

for business travel instead of fuel benefits.

Richard Marshall, tax specialist at HW Chartered Accountants, said: "The car fuel benefit is set to increase considerably from April 6 this year and many workers will be clobbered with a hefty tax rise.

"With such large increases expected, employers need to sit down with staff now and determine whether they would be better off providing their own fuel and claiming a mileage allowance for business travel.

"In most circumstances, workers would be best off doing this as to make car fuel benefit financially efficient after April private mileage needs to be high – as much as 10,000 to 12,000

miles per year."

Car fuel benefit occurs when employers provide fuel cards, credit cards or vouchers to cover the total cost of private and business mileage.

And because each case is unique there is no blanket advice for everyone.

Mr Marshall added: "Working out car fuel benefit is complex and changes for individual employees due to differing levels of benefit.

"There are ways to help reduce an employee's car tax bill that we can advise on, such as only making a company car available for part of the year or only making fuel available for business travel."

For advice Richard Marshall can be contacted at HW chartered accountants, in Armstrong Road, Maidstone, on 01622 692255.



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**PROUD AS PUNCH:** Manager Ben Taylor has guided his Norton Sports team to the brink of the league title

## Taylor talks up title chances as Norton turn on style with sparkling home win

NORTON Sports manager Ben Taylor says winning the British Energy Kent County League Premier Division title would eclipse anything he achieved during his playing career.

Norton are now 15 points clear of their closest rivals Orpington after a 4-0 thrashing of Sheerness East.

Although the London side have four games in hand, Taylor knows his side are on the brink of something special.

Taylor said: "Three games, three wins, that's all we need. It would be absolutely massive for Norton."

"I won the Southern League title with

### FOOTBALL

#### Norton Sports 4 Sheerness East 0

Fisher and that was a buzz and a half and I had a few good seasons with Sittingbourne, but I think this would top the lot."

Norton were outstanding against their local rivals taking a 2-0 lead into the interval thanks to Tommy Price and Danny Slatter, before turning on the style in the second half. Slatter made it 3-0, before Holden completed the scoring.

"They copped us on a good day," Taylor

admitted. "That's the best we've played all season. I'm not bigging the team up, but we had 80 per cent of the possession and could have scored a lot more."

Taylor remains wary of the threat posed by Orpington, but doesn't envy their position.

He said: "It could have been all over by now if we'd beaten them at their place two weeks ago. But as I said to the lads in the dressing room afterwards, they had a couple of cup games coming up and if we won our next two games we'd be 15 points clear."

"What would you rather have, the points or the games in hand? If we did slip they'd still have to win all their games."

## Early goal seals reserves' fate

FAVERSHAM Town Reserves lost 3-1 at home to Greenwich Borough on Saturday.

Town made a catastrophic start, going a goal down within a minute after Craig Preston had nearly put them in front within seconds of the kick-off.

The visitors went 2-0 up four minutes after the restart and added a third ten minutes from time, though Dan Butler managed a late consolation when he steered in Kris Richardson's cross.

The first team are away to Sevenoaks on Saturday, while the reserves host Hythe Town.

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## Ladies succumb to league leaders

EVEN a full-strength Gore Court Ladies side would have struggled against Harpenden, but with five first-teamers unavailable they slumped to a 6-1 defeat.

Court went 1-0 down after just 10 minutes, but responded well and forced an equaliser through Sarah Gouldson.

They conceded twice before the break and were dealt a further blow in the second half when Gouldson picked up a foot injury.

Court were forced to soldier on with 10 players until the partially fit Gouldson returned, but the league leaders added another three further goals.

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**FIGHTING FINISH:** Sittingbourne remained in the play-off picture after beating a struggling Molesey team thanks to a goal from Tarik Ozresberoglu just before the half-time whistle

# Abbott's concern over a lack of killer instinct

SITTINGBOURNE avoided a potential banana skin with a 1-0 win against Ryman Division 1 South's basement side Molesey.

Manager Gary Abbott had to shuffle his pack just before kick-off when Billy Manners suffered problems with his hamstring.

"He didn't actually pull it," Abbott said, "but it was one of those things where if he'd played and tweaked it he could have been out for six weeks, so I bought in Ian Varley and went 4-4-2."

Sittingbourne had the first serious effort on goal on 22 minutes when Hicham Akhazzan missed a Spice cross by inches.

Two minutes later Molesey had a rare effort when Anthony Gale shot well over, but Sittingbourne grabbed a deserved lead four minutes before the interval when Akhazzan found Ryan Andrews on the right. He cut inside and sent a far post cross to Tarik Ozresberoglu,

### FOOTBALL

■ BY YOURSWALE REPORTER

#### Molesey 0 Sittingbourne 1

who nodded the Brickies in front.

Four minutes into the second half Ozresberoglu wasted a pinpoint pass from Spice when he hesitated, but the odds on the home side getting anything from the game lengthened dramatically when Eric Kwakye was shown a straight red card for an alleged elbow on Varley. Abbott felt the decision was harsh: "Ian Varley was trying to get round the defender, who was trying to let the ball go out of play. To be honest I didn't see it, but the referee said it was 100 per cent an elbow."

Stung by the perceived injustice, Molesey briefly rallied and Joel Korocz hit the post, but

Ozresberoglu again went close and Richard Brady was denied a penalty after being bundled over in the area.

Sittingbourne suffered a scare in injury time when Gale whistled a shot past Chris Lewington's post, but Abbott wasn't overly worried.

The lack of a killer instinct, however, remains Abbott's prime concern.

He added: "We had four open goals today and if they get a break and make it 1-1 we've dropped two points. We had three great results against the teams above us, but then played Horsham YMCA, failed to take our chances and got beaten 2-0."

Abbott left Ricky Spiller on the bench, having captured him from under the noses of three interested clubs and says he will ease him back into first team action.

"He hasn't played for two months," Abbott admitted. "I'll probably start with the same XI against Croydon Athletic, but I'll be looking to give him 10 to 15 minutes at the end."



# Byrne's confident of winning season

## MOTORCYCLING

BY TOM HOWARD

FORMER British Superbike champion Shane 'Shakey' Byrne has compared his new Airwaves Ducati bike to the machine that saw him pick up 12 race wins on his way to the title back in 2003.

Byrne has been testing with his new team Airwaves Ducati in Almeria, Spain for the first time ahead of the 2008 season.

The Sheppey rider completed 220 laps which equates to seven race distances and was very pleased with how the three-day test went.

He told Yourswale: "The test went really well, I got to try out the brand new bike which is fantastic. In fact, the whole team are great, I got on well with them."

"I have wanted to race for this team for such a long time and now I am here. The bike was literally brand new, shipped from Italy and very fast. I think I will be definitely in with a shout of the title this year."

### Impressed

"I have been really focussing on my fitness in the winter. I have done a lot of gym work and I think it showed during the test."

With only one manufacturer of tyres supplying all the teams in the series this year the test was a valuable chance to try the new Pirelli rubber.

He added: "The Almeria track is notoriously hard on tyres because of its hard surface. It was a great chance to try out the new tyres. They did very well and I was impressed with how they performed."

"Most of the teams were at the tests so we could see how our pace compared against our rivals. We did very well and it is looking good ahead of the season's start."

Byrne will be in action at another test at Calafat, near Barcelona, on March 10.

The British Superbike Championship begins at Brands Hatch on April 4.



UP FOR IT: Shane Byrne believes his new Ducati will give him a better chance of the title than last season's Honda

# Errors prove costly in battle for promotion

GORE Court twice squandered the lead in Southern Premier Division 2 against Eastcote, as they went down to a 4-2 defeat that does serious damage to their chances of promotion.

There was little sign of the heartache to come for the visitors, during an opening period that saw Court force four short corners in ten minutes.

Aaron Glass struck the second of these into the back of the net to make it 1-0, but Court went on to waste a number of promising attacking situations and nearly paid the price when a bizarre mix-up at the back saw them concede a penalty.

Phil Geeves pulled off a superb save, but the reprieve was brief as the Middlesex side forced in an equaliser after a goalmouth melee just before half-time.

Court regrouped at the break and again made the brighter start. Glass was the first to react at a short corner, putting them back in front, but history then repeated itself as Court continued

## HOCKEY

Eastcote 4 Gore Court 2

to spurn chances.

As the errors began to mount, Eastcote finally cashed in with 15 minutes left, robbing Tom Oyler on the edge of the D and rifling in the equaliser.

Eastcote began to bombard the Court defence and five minutes later they took the lead for the first time. Almost immediately they scored again, leaving Court shell-shocked at the way they had under-performed in the second period.

Having won their three previous Division 2 fixtures, Court still have an outside chance of promotion, but they'll have to do it the hard way.

Their next three fixtures are all against teams in the top six and they need to win all three, starting with Saturday's trip to Henley.

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SPORT IN BRIEF

## A weekend's respite for East after derby dismay

SHEERNESS East suffered a second consecutive derby disappointment when they were beaten 4-0 at Norton Sports in the British Energy Kent County League Premier Division on Saturday.

A week after they were held to a 0-0 home draw by local rivals Milton Athletic, East were eclipsed by the division's runaway leaders.

East, who remain eighth in the table, are without a fixture this weekend and return to action when they host Coney Hall on March 15.

## Dartfordians thrashed as Bourne get back on track

SITTINGBOURNE RFC ended a run of four games without a win when they crushed Dartfordians 54-0 at the Grove on Saturday.

The streak of three defeats and one tie effectively ended Sittingbourne's hopes of promotion, but this rout keeps them sixth in the table and closes the gap on fifth-placed Dartfordians to just one point.

Bourne face one of their toughest fixtures of the season this weekend when they travel to Old Gravesendians.

## Bexley bedazzled at The Ditch by super Sheppey

SHEPPEY hammered Bexley on Saturday, recording a 48-0 victory at The Ditch.

Licking their wounds after a crucial loss against Cranbrook the week before, the Islanders blitzed their struggling South London opponents to stay fourth in the Kent 2 table.

Sheppey are without a league fixture until they travel to Vigo on March 29 and are not playing at all this weekend, but they have friendlies away to Palmerians and Ashford on the following two Saturdays.

## Play-offs still a possibility as season draws to close

AFC Sheppey erased the memories of last week's 3-1 defeat at lowly Lydd when they beat New Romney 1-0 in the British Energy Kent County League Division 1 East on Saturday.

Sheppey remain fourth after defeating their closest rivals and closed the gap on third-placed Oakwood to just a single point.

With five games of the season remaining, Sheppey remain in the hunt for a play-off place and have a crucial game at home to second-placed Guru Nanak this weekend.

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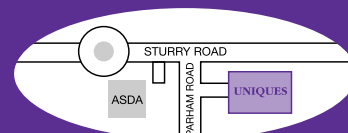
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[www.princess-pocahontas.com](http://www.princess-pocahontas.com)

#### SIBLU HOLIDAYS -

STAND 29A

**DOMAINE DE LITTEAU**  
Siblu owns 14 parks located all over France and offers luxury mobile home holidays for families. Domaine de Litteau is a quiet holiday park located in the picturesque Normandy Countryside just 20 minutes from historic Bayeux and the D-day landing beaches. We have a vibrant and enthusiastic team on park to welcome our guests and provide them with everything they might need to enjoy a top class holiday!  
[www.siblu.com/france/normandy/](http://www.siblu.com/france/normandy/) domaine\_de\_litteau.php

#### SILENT EVENTS

STAND 17

See a more unusual side to this unique Georgian fortification, in Chatham, built more than 250 years ago. Its long military history has given it a prominent place in the local folklore. Talk to us about this and its military history, and possibly arrange a tour.  
[www.silentfootsteps.com](http://www.silentfootsteps.com)

#### SOUTH QUAY TRAVEL & LEISURE

Stand 29

Established in the Group Travel market for nearly 20 years offering a personal and efficient service to Group Travel Organisers in the planning of their holidays, short breaks and cruising. Destinations include; UK, Southern Ireland, Europe and all worldwide locations. Call 0207 510 2929.  
[www.southquaytravel.com](http://www.southquaytravel.com)

#### SWALE TOURISM

STAND 33

Explore Sittingbourne, Faversham and the Isle of Sheppey and pick up the new 2008 visitor guide. Situated on the outstanding North Kent coast, Swale embraces Sittingbourne, Faversham, Isle of Sheppey and takes in the rolling North Kent Downs too. <http://tourism.swale.gov.uk>

#### SWAN HELLENIC

STAND 22

Our journeys, to some of the world's most exciting destinations, promise to be our most comfortable and rewarding yet with the addition of new and fascinating itineraries to our programme including our cruises from Dover. [www.swanhellenic.com](http://www.swanhellenic.com)

#### THISTLE HOTELS

STAND 55

Our hotel is located next to famous Brands Hatch Circuit. We offer excellent rooms, professional meeting facilities and a 2 AA Rosette restaurant. While visiting us at the KTL Show we give a deeper view into modern service standards. Offers will be made for interested clients. Snacks and drinks will be provided. [www.thistle.co.uk](http://www.thistle.co.uk)

#### THOMAS COOK

STAND 4

With a portfolio of market leading travel brands across Europe and North America, we are committed to providing the best quality products and services to our customers.  
[www.thomascookgroup.com](http://www.thomascookgroup.com)

#### TRANS EUROPA FERRIES

STAND 71

Visit the TransEuropa Ferries stand at the Kent Travel and Leisure show and pick up one of our leaflets entitling you to a 10% discount from our standard fares. We are the only cross Channel passenger ferry service who sail to Belgium from Ramsgate and also offer group discounts and a loyalty scheme. [www.transeuropaferrries.com](http://www.transeuropaferrries.com)

#### TRAVELUX

STAND 43

Travelux is a fiercely independent Travel Agent located in Tenterden. For 35 years Travelux has been providing quality travel arrangements & professional advice to discerning travellers. Experienced Travel Consultants & Cruise Specialists available to tailor make itineraries.  
[www.travelux.co.uk](http://www.travelux.co.uk)

#### VILLAGE HOTELS

STAND 15

Village Hotels & Leisure Clubs is one of the UK's fastest growing mid size hotel chains with 20 hotels by the end of 2008, 1,988 rooms, conveniently located across the UK all of which are situated within easy reach of major towns and cities.  
[www.village-hotels.co.uk](http://www.village-hotels.co.uk)

#### VISIT CANTERBURY, WHITSTABLE & HERNE BAY

Welcome to the beautiful District of Canterbury including Whitstable and Herne Bay. Canterbury's skyline dominated by it's stunning Cathedral and its abundance of history, culture and architecture. Whitstable, where time has miraculously stopped and preserved, a multitude of specialist food shops rarely seen elsewhere nowadays and Herne Bay's splendid seafront, its unspoilt beach and working fishing harbour. [www.canterbury.co.uk](http://www.canterbury.co.uk)

#### VISIT KENT

STAND 50

VisitKent is responsible for developing and promoting the £1.8 billion tourism industry in Kent. On 29th March VisitKent is running the second Big Day Out which is an opportunity for residents of Kent to explore the fantastic attractions and little gems that are on their doorstep. Over 15,000 tickets will be available for free online at [www.visitkent.co.uk](http://www.visitkent.co.uk) from the end of February.  
[www.visitkent.co.uk](http://www.visitkent.co.uk)

#### VOYAGES OF DISCOVERY

STAND 22

A memorable combination of deserts, dunes and walled cities sees Discovery visit the Horn of Africa, the Red Sea and cruise on into the Mediterranean as she heads home to England.  
[www.voyagesofdiscovery.co.uk](http://www.voyagesofdiscovery.co.uk)

#### WHITE CLIFFS COUNTRY

STAND 34

Welcome to White Cliffs Country – Dover, Deal and Sandwich Unique, Unrivalled and Unforgettable. Whether you want to tell the time maritime style at the Timeball Tower, go rock-pooling at St. Margaret's Bay or simply walk up on top of the cliffs and enjoy the sea air – White Cliffs Country has so much to do and see, you'll want to stay longer. T - 01304 205108 . [tic@doveruk.com](mailto:tic@doveruk.com)

#### LITTLE GEMS AREA

#### BENTLEY WILDFOWL & MOTOR MUSEUM

An extensive Wildfowl Collection, Motor Museum, House, Formal gardens, Woodland Activities, Playarea, Miniature Railway, craftworkshops and Tearooms. See web site for more detail or phone 01825 840573. [www.bentley.org.uk](http://www.bentley.org.uk)

#### BMC TRAVEL CLINIC

BMC Travel Clinic can supply you with travel health advice, the shop has a selection of travel accessories e.g. medical kits, water purification, insect repellents, mosquito nets & travel adaptors. These are also available online. 01233 503666  
[www.bmcmedical.co.uk](http://www.bmcmedical.co.uk)

#### DOVER WATERSPORTS

Providing dinky sailing, windsurfing, power-boating and keel-boating tuition. Experience the excitement of sea sailing in the safe environment of Dover Harbour. [www.doverwatersports.com](http://www.doverwatersports.com)

#### FARMING WORLD

Enjoy the antics of friendly farm animals, meet magnificent shire horses, be enthralled by fantastic falconry displays. A wonderful day out for all the family. [www.farming-world.com](http://www.farming-world.com)

#### HORIZON SEA SAFARIS

Horizon Sea Safaris is a family run wildlife boat trip company based in the picturesque Royal Harbour in Ramsgate. Our boat has been purpose built with both safety and comfort in mind.  
[www.horizonseasafaris.co.uk](http://www.horizonseasafaris.co.uk)

#### KENTISH LADY

Kentish Lady River Cruises licensed bar – Washrooms – disabled access 1hr – 3hr Trips. Private Hire - For special occasions with DJ, buffet, decorations, champagne, licensed bar. Contact - 01622 753740. [www.kentishlady.co.uk](http://www.kentishlady.co.uk)

#### KENT WILDLIFE TRUST

Founded 50 years ago you are never more than 10 miles from a Kent Wildlife nature reserve. The Trust provides FREE access to its five visitor centres.  
[www.kentwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.kentwildlifetrust.org.uk)

#### QUEX MUSEUM

Quex Museum contains world class collections of African and Asian natural history as well as one of the largest privately-owned collections of cannon and weaponry in the country.  
[www.quexmuseum.org](http://www.quexmuseum.org)

#### RIVER HILL HOUSE GARDENS

At the show visitors can expect to receive information about our gardens in the form of leaflets and photographs.  
[www.riverhillgardens.co.uk](http://www.riverhillgardens.co.uk)

#### SHELL GROTTTO

One of the world's most mysterious places, the Grotto is a series of underground passageways covered by 2000sqft of shell mosaic. Visit us at the Show to find out more and for special offers on entry. [www.shellgrotto.co.uk](http://www.shellgrotto.co.uk)

#### SHOREHAM AIRCRAFT MUSEUM

Opened in 1988 and housing hundreds of aviation relics excavated over many years from crashed Battle of Britain British and German aircraft  
[www.shoreham-aircraft-museum.co.uk](http://www.shoreham-aircraft-museum.co.uk)

#### SOUTHEASTERN

In 2009 Southeastern will bring the UK's first truly high speed service to Kent, offering brand new powerful trains and much faster journey times to London and beyond.  
[www.southeasternrailway.co.uk](http://www.southeasternrailway.co.uk)

#### SUSSEX TOP ATTRACTIONS

We are a 55-strong group of Top Tourist Attractions in East and West Sussex, and our brochure gives details for all of them, plus an excellent Sussex road map. Collect at the Show. [www.sussextopattractions.co.uk](http://www.sussextopattractions.co.uk)

#### TAKE ONE MEDIA

Displaying eye- catching informative literature in the most modern and best positioned display stands available. Come in and see us at the Travel & Leisure Show, to see how we can help promote your business/provide local relevant information.  
[www.takeonemedia.co.uk](http://www.takeonemedia.co.uk)

#### THANET GREETERS

Thanet Greeters is a non-profit making organisation enabling visitors to the Isle of Thanet to meet with local residents who are both friendly and enthusiastic and who are happy to share the area they love. [www.thanet-greeters.org.uk](http://www.thanet-greeters.org.uk)

#### TONBRIDGE CASTLE

"History comes alive for young and old at Tonbridge Castle" Interactive displays and life-size figures, special effects and dramatic lighting, a vivid recreation of the sights, sounds and excitement of 13th Century castle life!  
[www.tonbridgecastle.org](http://www.tonbridgecastle.org)

#### WALK AWHILE

Discover hidden Kent, its people and their history. Take a self-led or guided walking holiday into the heart of the Kent countryside.  
[www.walkawhile.co.uk](http://www.walkawhile.co.uk)

#### WEALD & DOWNLAND OPEN AIR MUSEUM

Home to over 45 rescued historic buildings rebuilt in a beautiful 50 acre setting in the South Downs, bringing to life the homes, farms and workplaces of the south east over the past 500 years. Visit us at the Show to discover more, including details for group visits - discounts and guided tours available.  
[www.wealddown.co.uk](http://www.wealddown.co.uk)

#### WILDLIFE HERITAGE FOUNDATION

A specialist conservation charity where we run a breeding centre of excellence and educate visitors to our sanctuary on the issues surrounding the protection and preservation of the species that we work with. [www.whf.org.uk](http://www.whf.org.uk)

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